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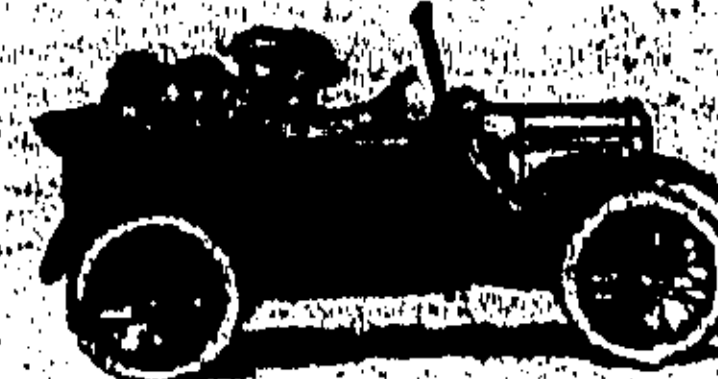
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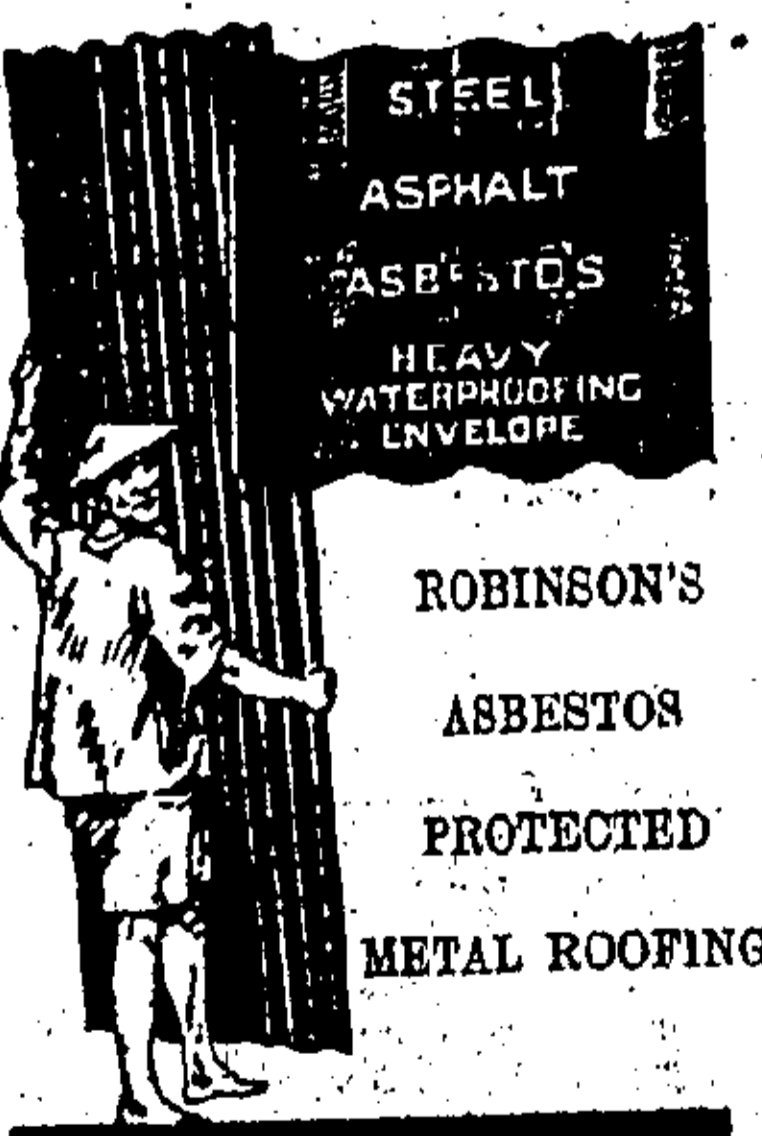
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NOTABLE VISITOR.

CAPTAIN ROBERT DOLLAR HERE.
ROMANTIC CAREER.

Lumber-Jack to Shipping Magnate.

Arriving in the Colony to-day by the s.s. President McKinley is Captain Robert Dollar, the millionaire shipping magnate, who rose to his present position from that of a lumber-jack and who has become a national hero through the writings of Peter Kyne in whose books he figures as "Cappy Ricks."

Notable Career.

Captain Robert Dollar's ability in connection with the organization of a vast shipping concern is not the only thing which has commended him to the American people and made him almost a national hero. He has interested himself in the maintenance of good relations between America and the nations of the world, particularly China, and he was one of the first prominent American citizens to be approached regarding recognition of the Chinese Republic in 1911.

His genial and forceful personality is better known to the general public, however, through the medium of the popular writer, Peter Kyne, who has made of him his hero "Cappy Ricks," figuring in a series of widely read stories dealing with life in the lumber fields. It was as a lumber-jack that Captain Robert Dollar first commenced his struggle with life and, although his clever dealings since his sudden rise to prosperity have stamped him as a man who was bound to rise very considerably from that estate, it was a stroke of luck which first set his foot upon the ladder of success. As a stranded shipper in the Philippines he discovered copper, the industry in which has resulted in fabulous profits.

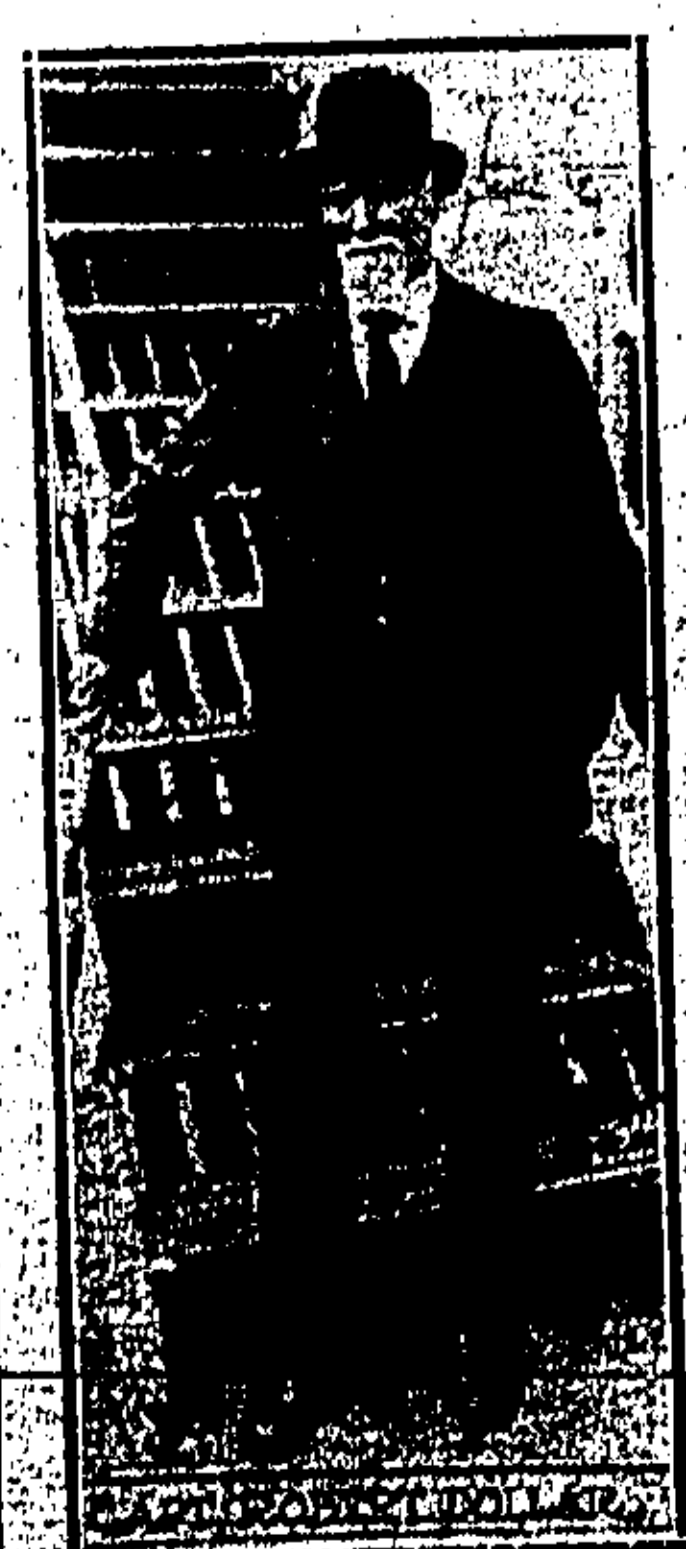
Every reader of fiction knows "Cappy Ricks" and loves the character that has "put across" so many clever deals and who brings to bear an inexhaustible supply of humor on his numerous logging operations. The real Robert Dollar's achievements, however, by no means stop short at this. The value in which he was held as a diplomat is shown by the fact that after the Republic of China was established, happening to be in China at the time, he was the recipient of a cable from President Taft asking him to go to Peking for a conference with Mr. Cuthbert, American Minister, to discuss the situation and the desirability or otherwise of recognition.

Shanghai Strike.

Captain Dollar was interviewed whilst in Shanghai last week on the present situation there and stated that he was firmly of the belief that a foreign inspiration was really at the bottom of it. He had not had the opportunity to investigate the causes behind the present situation but from its outward manifestations it displayed Bolshevik tendencies which had been present in strikes in almost every country under the sun in recent years since leaders of the Soviet got control of Russia and started out to overturn the whole world to their way of thinking.

Captain Dollar is still confident that his advice in favour of recognition of the Republic of China by America will be justified and thinks

HONGKONG'S VISITOR.



Captain Robert Dollar, head of the Dollar Steamship Company, one of the largest shipping companies in America.

it is only a question of a short time before China will become one of the great nations of the world. As proof of this he pointed to shipping figures at the ports and also to the growing tonnage of ships cleared at the Panama Canal, which he described as proof of his contention that the era of the Pacific Ocean was now at hand.

Questioned in Shanghai as to the recent purchase of the U.S. Government passenger ships previously operated by the Pacific Mail Company, Captain Dollar said that the prosperity of his Company was so inextricably bound up with that of the various countries about the Pacific Ocean that fears which had been expressed of an American shipping monopoly had no foundation in fact. If China, Japan, the Hawaiian Islands and the Philippines were not prosperous how could his company be prosperous? he asked. It was only through co-operation that both interests could succeed.

HEAVY RAINS.

Water Supply Benefits.

RESERVOIRS OVERFLOW.

LATEST DETAILS ABOUT DAMAGE.

Considerably less rain fell during the twenty-four hours ending at 6 o'clock this morning than had fallen during the same period yesterday morning but the reservoirs have registered several inches increase. Pokfulam, Wongneichong and Tytan Intermediate reservoirs from being in the neighbourhood of 25 feet below average flow (as they were on the 15th) have now reached overflow and others are approaching that way.

The amount of water that was received in the reservoirs during the twenty-four hours ending 6 o'clock this morning, also that which fell in the corresponding period yesterday, is as follows:

	16th	17th
Kowloon	2.76	3.50
Pokfulam	2.20	4.05
Wongneichong	15.50	6.60
Tytan	13.88	4.10
Tytan Tuk	12.22	4.77

An idea of the great benefit the rains have been in respect of stored water may be obtained from the fact that on the 15th, the Kowloon reservoir was 24 ft. 6 in.

STRIKE TROUBLE.

QUESTIONS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.
PROTECTING FOREIGNERS.

A Bolshevik Shot At Hankow.

The safety of foreigners in China was the subject of questions in the House of Commons yesterday by a former Hongkong resident.

"Delicate Matter."

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. H. W. Looker, who asked for an assurance that His Majesty's ships are in a position to protect British subjects on the coast and waterways of China, Mr. A. M. Samuel, on behalf of the Foreign Office, said that the forces at the disposal of the Powers were believed to be sufficient to meet any contingency which could reasonably be foreseen.

Mr. Looker pointed out that from the list published in the Press, apparently no ships were at present stationed at the coast ports.

Mr. Samuel expressed the opinion that the list only referred to British ships, not to the ships of other Powers. He promised to bring the matter before the Admiralty at the earliest moment.

Mr. Will Thorne asked whether the trouble was decreasing or increasing. Mr. Samuel expressed the opinion that the loss said at present about this very delicate matter the better.

A Bolshevik Shot.

Hankow, June 17. Though there was no incident overnight and the situation remained quiet throughout the day, the atmosphere is not yet clearing and it would appear that the present troubles will be rather protracted.

Of seven Bolshevik agitators arrested by the Chinese authorities one—Dr. Haisao Yin-yishih—was shot by them this morning.

The British Cigarette Company's workers resumed work this morning.

Incited by Students.

Poochow, June 17. Students are urging the foreign employed Chinese to strike and appealing to the Merchants' Guild to support the strikers.

The Military Governor has posted guards in the foreign quarter. All is quiet.

Protection on Railways.

Peking, June 17. The Ministry for Communications, in a circular telegram, orders special protection to be given to all foreign employees and foreign travellers on the railways. It instructs the railway police chiefs to despatch efficient police for this special purpose.

In a previous order the Ministry instructed foreign employers to remain at their posts and carry on their usual work.

Measures in Peking.

Peking, June 17. It is understood that the foreign authorities have made representations to the Government indignantly to protect foreigners.

At a meeting of the Cabinet Ministers, the Chief of Police and the Commander of the Precautionary Force discussed measures yesterday. As a result numbers of Feng Yushiang's troops are patrolling the city and special guards have been placed outside the principal foreign firms' offices and residences.

Chang Tso-lin has despatched troops to Peking to-day, and the first companies arrived this afternoon, occupying the Yellow Temple outside the North Gate. In some quarters doubt is expressed whether these forces can co-operate with those of Feng Yushiang.

Suggested Conference.

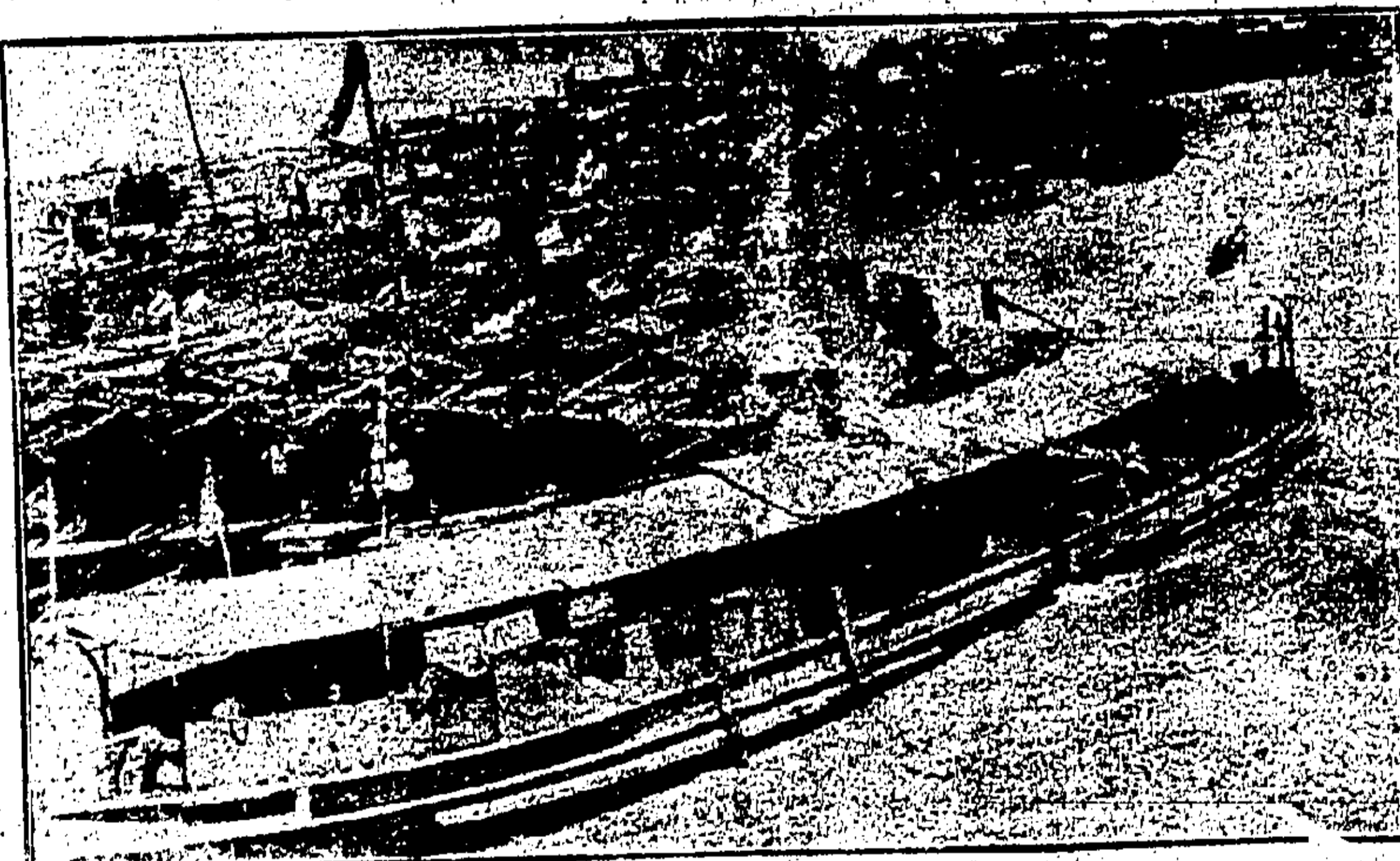
London, June 15. The Association of British Chambers of Commerce has forwarded the Premier a resolution urging the Government to arrange at the earliest possible moment with the other Powers interested a conference with representatives of the different provinces of China with a view to establishing a permanent satisfactory settlement in China.

A SCHOOL'S TRIBUTE.

ADDRESS ON SILK FOR GOVERNOR
TO DAY'S CEREMONY.

An interesting ceremony took place this morning at Government House, when the Elders of the Fat Heung Valley, New Territories, forming the Committee of management of the Tung Yik Vernacular School, were received by Sir Edward Stubbs, and presented a framed complimentary address on silk to His Excellency on the occasion of his departure. The school was opened by His Excellency in 1921, when it started with some 50 pupils. It now has 90 pupils and is in receipt of an annual Government grant—a proof of its usefulness. Four Elders presented the address in the presence of the Hon. the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Mr. Kowall, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shue-son and the District Officer North. His Excellency in reply expressed himself as being very pleased with the progress of the school and hoped that it would continue to grow and prosper.

THE CANTON FIGHTING—READY FOR ATTACK.



In the foreground is one of the Kuomintang's armed launches which put out from Honam last Friday and successfully invaded Canton. The side is protected by iron plates over which are placed wet sacks to prevent the vessel catching fire. In the lower left hand corner is a machine-gun on the bow of the launch. Behind are a fleet of naval craft, flying the "Fook" Army flag, which assisted in transporting the Cantonese troops across the River. This photo was taken after the fleet had put out into the stream.

OBITUARY.

MR. THOMAS BLANCH.
A WELL-KNOWN PERSONALITY.

Those who were personally acquainted with Mr. N. F. Blanch whilst he was in Hongkong and the Far East between 1906 and 1920, also many others who have reason to remember his kindly and courteous advice while he was Far Eastern General Manager of Thos. Cook and Son, Ltd., at his office in Pall Mall, will regret to hear of his untimely death. At the time of his death Mr. Blanch was slightly over 50 years of age.

The Far Eastern offices of Thos. Cook and Son were founded by Mr. Blanch and when headquarters were established in Hongkong in 1915 he remained in charge there until he left for Home in none too good health at the end of 1920.

Prior to coming out East Mr. Blanch (who was an old Eton boy) had been with Thos. Cook and Son in Egypt.

Mr. Blanch leaves a widow.

TROOPS HERE

TO BE SENT TO THEIR HOMES.

CANTON NOW QUIET.
About eight Yunnanese soldiers and camp-followers who made their way down to Hongkong when their side was defeated in Canton last week, have been taken into the care of the Yau-mai Police. They will be repatriated at an early date.
A large number of Yunnanese troops are stated to be still held as prisoners of war at Whampoa. Canton is reported quiet.

below overflow, yesterday it was 19 ft. 5 in. below and this morning 15 ft. 6 in. below. Like figures for the reservoirs in Hongkong (in feet and inches) are as follows:

	15th	16th	17th
Pokfulam	25.1	5.3	0.0
Wongneichong	28.4	6.1	0.0
Tytan	37.2	12.5	4.1
Bye-Wash	22.1	12.4	10.7
Intermediate	24.1	4.4	0.0
Tytan Tuk	42.9	32.7	24.8

On the 15th the total storage in Hongkong was 332.58 million gallons; yesterday it had increased to 1,291.15 million gallons and this morning to 1,538 million gallons.

In Kowloon on the 15th the total storage was 146.36 million gallons; yesterday it had increased to 180.95 million gallons and to-day to 210.7 million gallons.

Knee Deep Floods.
Occupants of houses behind the Dragon Motor Garage at the Wongneichong end of Happy Valley spent another anxious night owing to the very heavy rainfall. With floods knee deep inside, many of them had to abandon their homes, but no further collapses or casualties appear to have occurred.
Water continued to pour down the slopes leading from Stubbs Road to this part of the Valley carrying with it more portions of the collapsed wall. The work of clearance has been greatly hampered by this and it has been found impossible to make any great inroad on the great masses of earth and debris. Although the Yung Wo Nunging Home escaped the fall of the retaining wall which a few yards from its entrance battered two cars and a car, it is feared that one of them on the 15th course, fortunately escaped injury.

it has been inundated by the floods which have poured down the hill leaving behind them piles of slush and sand in the main hall.

The above mentioned spot and outside the main entrance to the Jockey Club are the two most seriously affected, the latter presenting almost as great a scene of desolate waste and riot as the former. Fifty yards of the Christian Cemetery main wall has been carried on to the road and there is an ominous bulge about much else of it. Through the gap in the wall course streams which when the rain was at its height gave the appearance of a swollen river. The walls of the Jockey Club premises are awash and the water is eventually finding its way into the Race Course. A considerable section of the inner drain wall at the three-quarter mile post has given way and railings surrounding the track have also been carried away. The Race Course has been still further inundated. The force of the flow through the gap in the Cemetery wall may be gauged from the fact that telegraph poles have been twisted and bent.

In spite of more landslides the work of clearance on Stubbs Road has been conducted with such energy that by the time offices close to-day the road will be open both to the Peak and also Repulse Bay. However drivers are requested to proceed very carefully. Owing to a very heavy fall between Stanley and Repulse Bay a section of the road is closed to traffic at present.

The rear portion of two old buildings at Kowloon collapsed last night owing to the place being flooded with water. The inmates, fortunately escaped injury.

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INTIMATIONS.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above Club will be held on FRIDAY, the 19th inst., at 6 p.m.

R. C. WITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, June 15, 1925.

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

From this date and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. W. E. Smith is appointed Acting General Manager of the Society.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1925.

NOTICE.

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General Manager.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1925.

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LORD BIRKENHEAD.

CHANCELLOR AS PAINTER OF PICTURES.

The Earl of Birkenhead, responding to the toast of "The Guests," at the Academy Banquet, paid a tribute to the genius of the late Mr. Sargent, who, he said, had a supreme conception of his subject, and, in the second place, was a great master of psychology. He was not only an artist but a complete man, and Lord Birkenhead thought that in the days that were to come the records of Sargent's brush would be preserved as zealously and as completely as the works of those great masters whom they remembered, for all time, as the classic artists of this country. (Cheers.)

Turning to the speeches which had been delivered, Lord Birkenhead said he was interested in hearing from the Prime Minister that, having to decide who was to be Chancellor of the Exchequer, he very carefully considered what artistic contributions could be made by any of the possible competitors for that post.

"I have examined the pictures of the Chancellor of the Exchequer very carefully. (Laughter.) He had been kind enough to give me two of them—(loud laughter)—and he has informed me although I do not believe him—(more laughter)—that, anonymously without his name he had sold four of them for thirty pounds each at the Paris Exhibition. (Loud laughter.)

"I really, honestly cannot think that the Prime Minister was right in forming his decision as to who ought to be Chancellor of the Exchequer, merely on the ground that he was the only one of his colleagues who could paint pictures. (More laughter.) If the Prime Minister had paid all the compliments he could pay to your Society on this occasion in the most admirable speech he made, he could not have paid a better compliment.

"In probably the gravest financial crisis in this country, and in determining the finance of the country for the next four years, he did not say 'Do I need a financier?'; he did not select a man who is skilled in figures? he did not say 'Shall I choose a man who can advise us as to the greatest problems of currency and exchange? the Prime Minister said 'No, give me a man who whether it is a good picture or a bad picture, can paint one.' (Loud laughter.)

Lord Stuart of Wortley, proposed the "Royal Academy."

The President, returning thanks, referred to those who had passed away, mentioning F. W. Pomeroy, a sculptor of great attainment, Sir Thomas Jackson, an architect of great distinction, and J. W. North, a landscape painter whose merit was hardly known to this generation. And now a shadow had fallen on the world of Art, for John Sargent was dead. It might be too soon to allot him his right place amongst the Masters; at least they were justified in declaring him the finest portrait painter of this generation. They were proud to remember that that Academy at once recognised the splendour of his genius.

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" Corned—Ham Ngaui Yuk	" 34	23	20
" Roast—Shiu Ngaui Yuk	" 30	24	22
" Breast—Ngaui Hung	" 24	20	18
" Soup—Tong Yuk	" 24	20	18
" Steak—Ngaui Yuk Pa	" 29	24	22
" Steak Sirloin—Ngaui Lau	" 36	30	35
" Sausages—Ngaui Cheung	" 20	26	20
Bullock's Brains—Ngaui No	per set 12	10	12
" Tongue, fresh—Ngaui Li	each 60	50	60
" Tongue, corned—Ham Ngaui Li	" 1.00	1.00	1.20
" Head—Ngaui Tau	lb. 16	13	14
" Heart—Ngaui Sam	" 24	20	18
" Hump, Salt—Ngaui Chun	" 12	10	12
" Feet—Ngaui Kouk	" 12	10	12
" Kidneys—Ngaui Yiu	" 22	20	22
" Tail—Ngaui Mai	lb. 16	13	14
" Liver—Ngaui Kon	" 6	6	7
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngaui To	" 6	6	7

Calves' Head and Feet—Ngaui-tai-tau	set 1.20	1.00	1.00
" Mutton Chop—Young Pui Kwat	lb. 48	26	—
" Leg—Young Pui	" 48	26	—
" Shoulder—Young Pui	" 45	24	—
" Saddle—Young Pui	" 35	—	27
Pigs' Chittlings—Chu Chong	per set 8	—	12
" Brains—Chu No	lb. 18	15	—
" Feet—Chu Kouk	" 30	15	18
" Fry—Chu Chap	" 24	20	—
" Head—Chu Tau	each 15	10	10
" Heart—Chu Sam	" 12	10	8
" Kidneys—Chu Yiu	lb. 43	30	24
" Liver—Chu Kon	" 38	25	23
" Pork Chop—Chu Pui Kwat	" 32	28	27
" Leg—Chu Pui	" 18	—	—
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	" 22	21	—
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau Kouk	set 85	60	70
" Heart—Young Sam	each 14	8	7
" Kidneys—Young Yiu	lb. 15	12	10
" Liver—Young Kon	" 15	12	10
Sucking Pigs, to order—Chu Tsai	" 25	25	22
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngaui Yau	" 26	20	18
" Mutton—Shang Young Yau	" 48	26	24
Veal—Ngaui Tsai Yuk	" 30	20	19
" Sausages—Ngaui Tsai Cheung	" 26	20	20

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb. 28	19	24
Bream—Pin Yu	" 32	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	" 23	18	16
Carp—Li Yu	" 40	16	27
Catfish—Chik Yu	" 28	12	9
Codfish—Mun Yu	" 26	20	25
Crabs—Hoi	" 40	23	26
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	" 24	16	2
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	" 50	23	18
Dace—Wong Mei Lap	" 38	10	9
Dog Fish—Tui To Sha	" 10	10	8
Eels, Conger—Hoi Man	" 36	18	—
" Fresh water—Tam Shui Yu	" 32	10	18
" Yellow—Wong Sin	" 40	26	30
Frogs—Tin Kai	" 58	32	25
Garoupa—Shek Pan	" 75	40	30
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	" 20	13	15
Herrings—Tao Pak	" 26	22	13
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	" 30	18	23
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	" 36	22	18
Loach—Wu Yu	" 75	22	24
Lobsters—Lung Ha	" 75	32	21
Mackerel—Chi Yu	" 30	20	26
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	" 40	32	28
Mullet—Tsai Yu	" 24	18	2
Oysters—Shang Ho	" 30	15	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	" 26	14	9
Perch—Tau Lo	" 28	20	15
Pike—Fai Pau Fong	" 22	16	9
Plaice—Pan Yu	" 40	28	14
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	" 38	26	20
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	" 40	30	20
Prawns—Ming Ha	" 80	36	45
Ray—Pai Pa Sha	" 10	10	14
Rock Fish—Shek Kau Kung	" 32	13	18
Roach—Chun Yu	" 40	22	16
Salmon—Ma Yau	" 75	36	30
Shark—Sha Yu	" 12	8	10
Skate—Po Yu	" 18	10	10
Shrimps—Ha	" 50	26	35
Snapper—Lap Yu	" 56	32	30
Soles—Tat Sha Yu	" 36	28	28
Tench—Wan Yu	" 42	22	18
Turbot—Tao Hau Yu	" 28	18	12
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kau Yu	" 90	40	—

Poultry.

	June 12, 1925.	June 13, 1925.	June 14, 1925.
Chicken—Kai	lb. 55	50	81
Capon, Small—Sin Kai	" 45	28	30
Capon, Large—Sin Kai	" 50	28	30
Duck—Ap	" 40	22	21
Doves—Pan Kau	Each 25	—	—
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz 30	18	—
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (fresh)	" 36	25	20
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb. 60	36	24
Fowls, Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	" 40	28	—
Geese—Ngo	" 35	24	24
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each 50	30	—
" Hoihow—Hoi Hau Pak Kap	" 32	23	—
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	lb. 51	45	—
Turkeys, Hen—Fo Kai Na	" 51	45	—
Snipe—Sha Tsui	each 51	—	—
Pheasant—Shan Kai	" 51	—	—
Quail—Om Chun	" 51	—	—
Partridges—Che Ku	" 51	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds—Hang Yan	lb. 40	35	—
Apples (California), Kam Shan Ping Ko	" 30	24	—
Bananas (bribe's), Macao—San Heng	" 5	4	—
Chiu	" 12	10	—
Carambola—Yeung To	each 12	10	10
Cocoanuts—Ye Tse	lb. 15	7	—
Lemons, China—Ning Mung	each 8	8	—
Lemons (America), Kam Shan Ning Mung	" 25	30	—
Lichees, Dried (small stone) Lai Chi Kon	" 25	10	—
Oranges (Canton), Sweet—Shan-sheng	" 28	—	—
Tim Chang	" 28	—	—
Oranges—Tim Chang	" 28	—	—
Pears (Canton), Cooking—Sha Li	" 15	—	—
Peanuts—Fa Shang	" 12	10	12
Persimmons, Large—Hung Tao	" 4	8	—
Plantain—Tai Chiu	each 25	12	6
Pumelo, Siam—Tsim Lo Yau	lb. 14	—	15
Walnuts—Hop To	" 14	—	—
Grapes—Po Tai Tsz	" 14	—	—

Vegetables, Etc.

Artichokes—Ah Chi Cheuk	each	12	—	8
Beans, Sprout—Nga Tau	lb.	8	—	7
Long—Tau Kok	"	15	8	—
Beet Root—Hung Tsai Tau	each	3	8	8
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa	"	8	—	—
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yun Kwa	"	10	5	9
Red—Hung Kuo	"	8	5	8
Cabbage, Chinese (common)—Kai Tsai	"	12	5	12
(Shanghai)—Ye Tsai	"	—	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun	"	—	—	9
Cauliflower (Large)—Ye Tsai Fa	each	—	—	—
(Medium)	"	—	—	—
(Small)	"	—	—	—
Carrots—Kam Shun	lb.	8	6	6
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kun Tsai	"	15	10	6
Chillies, Dried—Lai Chu Kon	"	30	25	5
Red—Hung Fa Chiu	"	15	10	16
Green—Ching Lai Chu	"	10	8	12
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Li Chu Liu	"	10	8	10
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	each	3	2	—
Garlic—Sun Tau	lb.	10	8	—
Ginger, Young—Sun Tse Keung	"	15	7	—
Ginger, Old—Lo Keung	"	12	10	—
Horsedradish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	(磅)	15	45	—
Indian Corn—Shuk Mai	each	9	8	4
Lettuce—Yeung Sheng Tsai	lb.	5	1	—
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	each	12	6	6
Mandarin—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	"	10	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Tao Xu	鮮	46	—	3
Okroes	"	12	1	10
Onions, Bombay—Yeung Chung Tau	洋生	10	8	3
Onions, Green—Shang Chung Tau	葱	8	4	6
Onions, Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Chung Tau	葱	6	—	—
Parsley—Kun Tsai	上海菜	36	6	—
Potato, Sweet—Fan Shu	番薯	10	60	8
Japanese—Yat Pun Shu Tsai	日本薯仔	5	3	—
Americar—Fa Ki Shu Tsai	金多山薯仔	5	2	—
Pumpkin—Tung Kwa	金多山薯仔	5	3	4
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	紅蘿蔔	8	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	大紅	8	—	10
Shallots—Kong Chung Tau	葱	6	8	—
Spinach—Yin Tsai	寬節	8	4	—
Tomatoes—Fan Ke	番番	10	7	—
Taro—Wu Tau	芋頭	8	6	—
Turnips, Punti (Long)—Lo Pak	蘿蔔	6	4	—
Vegetable Marrow—Tsai Kwa	茭瓜	5	4	—
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DEATH.

BLANCH.—At Home. Mr. Norman F. Blanch, until three or four years ago, Far Eastern General Manager of Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd. (By Cable).

Hongkong, Wednesday, June 17, 1925.

WANTON AND COLD-BLOODED.

It is difficult to see how the wanton murder of a British subject, Mr. Mackenzie, in Shanghai, can further the ends of the students, rioters, and strikers. In fact, it can only have the opposite effect, for it will most undoubtedly stiffen the determination of the Municipal Council to reject all manner of compromise. Furthermore, it will strengthen the Powers in the stand that they have taken against Bolshevik-inspired mob rule in the International Settlement.

Taking the fact as cabled by Reuter there is not one solitary feature justifying the use of arms against a defenceless British subject engaged in the very innocent occupation of taking a motor drive with a young lady. There was absolutely nothing bearing the slightest semblance to a state of emergency, as was the case when the mob forced back the Police toward the Police Station on May 30. No term can adequately describe it except wanton, cold-blooded, brutal, unprovoked, premeditated murder.

The facts of the case are so simple that any other conclusion is quite impossible. The British Consul General has lodged a vigorously worded protest with the Civil Governor and the Foreign Commissioner against the murder. This, of course, is only a

preliminary formality. Something more than a protest will be done in due course. The Chinese Government must be held responsible for the murder owing to their utter inability to keep their nationals under control.

The British Note to China in respect of the Hankow riots points out that "the responsibility does not rest upon the British authorities who were unable to obtain prompt and adequate protection from the Chinese authorities, and were obliged to act for themselves." There is absolutely no parallel in the Mackenzie murder. The assassins were not attacked. They were in no danger of being attacked or even menaced. They could see by their flashlights who the occupants of the car were. And they proceeded with their dastardly work. Mitigating circumstances were entirely absent. The only course open to the British and other foreign Powers is obvious.

The people at Home are fully conversant with the facts of the ugly situation in China, as is borne out by the Press comments on the British Note to the Chinese Government in regard to the Hankow riots. The British Charge d'Affaires states that he has "repeatedly warned the Chinese Government of the grave responsibility it is incurring by allowing the present anti-British agitation to proceed unchecked." The Chinese Government must be made to shoulder that responsibility from first to last. If it shirks it in the slightest degree it must be answerable for the consequences. There is a limit to the tolerance and patience of the Powers. And it must appear to many that that limit has been reached in the wanton murder of Mr. Mackenzie in Shanghai.

Walter Sinclair.

It was the senior Chaplain of the Cathedral who, after seeing "Saint Joan" suggested that a Chair of Dramatic Art at the University might well be instituted and that Mr. Sinclair might become its first occupant. There was no response to that original and clear-sighted suggestion. Hongkong, in a collective sense at any rate, has no artistic feelings. It could not see that the suggestion was far from being utopian and that it had about it an immense potentiality for good apart from its artistic significance. Toronto now claims Mr. Sinclair, and as Director of the Hart Theatre, Toronto, considerable experience and enthusiasm. There will go with him the best wishes of those who find in the art of the theatre entertainment and education and who believe it still has a mission in life. Our University has its own problems to solve and the day may not be yet for a Chair of Dramatic Art. The time may come when such a thing will be a matter of practical politics. If so we trust its first occupant may be Mr. W. Sinclair.

who feel keenly in such matters—has this satisfaction: that in the decade and more which has gone, there was evidence of that striving after theatre righteousness which, in spite of the perfection of the production of "Saint Joan," has yet to reach its ultimate height. No matter what was attempted—whether a comedy of the type of "I'll Leave It to You"—a modern conception of "The Tempest"—or those things of colour "Kismet" and the Dunsany plays—there was brought to bear on every production a well thought out scheme; an intense practical enthusiasm, and a devotion to duty that carried conviction and imbued his colleagues to a remarkable degree. To a perfect knowledge of stagecraft, there was allied a perfect knowledge of acting—an almost uncanny perception of the finer points of the thing being produced. It will be seen that Mr. Sinclair brings to his duties at the Hart Theatre, Toronto, considerable experience and enthusiasm. There will go with him the best wishes of those who find in the art of the theatre entertainment and education and who believe it still has a mission in life. Our University has its own problems to solve and the day may not be yet for a Chair of Dramatic Art. The time may come when such a thing will be a matter of practical politics. If so we trust its first occupant may be Mr. W. Sinclair.

Why Juries?

Cases now proceeding in the Supreme Court are being taken without a jury. The law does not require a jury for the class of case being decided and doubtless judge, counsel and potential jurymen are not at all sorry. The possibility of having to attend as a jurymen is the only public duty imposed on the Hongkong resident, and it is one that he doubtless despises and would willingly forego. He is willing to let legal issues be argued and decided by legal minds, certain in the belief of the justice that will fall to those most intimately concerned. An incident has occurred at Home which it is felt brings the jury system into a little disrepute, and seems to prove that preconceived views or feelings are likely to weigh more with a jury than are the unquestioned facts of a case. The incident was in relation to the kidnapping of a prominent member of the Communist party at Home by five British Fascists. The facts of the case were not seriously disputed. The Communist was dragged from a railway train, forced into a motor car, driven away, and detained for a night. In summing up the judge made it quite clear that in the eyes of British law each individual is entitled to justice. Yet in spite of this "hint" and the facts of the case the jury, after an absence of twenty minutes, brought in a verdict of "not guilty" and the defendants were discharged. It is probable that the incident may be considered a huge joke, so regarded by jurymen with anti-Communist views; but the fact remains that the jurymen waived the legal aspect of the matter in coming to their decision, which has been described as a "serious and disquieting occurrence." No such incidents as this mar the record of local jurymen; but those who have sat as such and listened for hours to various cross-examinations and summings-up, and have gone to a room with a conglomeration of facts and doubts, would doubtless be glad to be relieved from a duty which can be at times very onerous and very irksome.

Messrs. Donnelly and Whyte, have received advices from Messrs. Wm. Gaymer and Son Ltd., stating that they have secured the contract for the supply of their Cyder to the Hongkong Pavilion at the British Exhibition, Wembley.

A Chinese was found dead in Winklog Street last night with some electric wire entangled round his body. The man is believed to have been electrocuted by coming in contact with fallen wires.

TO-DAY'S SMILE.



SHREDS AND PATCHES.

PHRASES
THAT WILL
NEVER DIE.

"Went off like an arrow," "straight as a dart," "straight as a die," "hungry as a hunter." Who would ever think of coining these phrases now as a result of his own experience? Then take all the common similes derived from the beasts—"as ugly as a toad," "as hungry as a hawk," "as sleepy as an owl," "as merry as a lark," "as sulky as a bear," and so forth. All these the townsman, who represents nowadays so large a proportion of the population, repeats glibly, but he is taking all his knowledge at second-hand. We have had a hundred years of railways, but how few expressions have popular speech borrowed from them. "Off the rails," "fullsteam ahead," and possibly, but doubtfully, "express speed" are all that readily occur to one. Will the mechanical age bring in new proverbial expressions? Will burlesque talk of "noisy as an atmospheric," "drunk as a skidding car," or "cheery as a char-a-banc"? Will the phrases slip out in ordinary conversation just as we might say, "cheery as a cricket," even though we very seldom now either hear or see crickets. It seems unlikely.

There has been a great deal of trouble with burglars in the Arctic recently.

Mrs. Eliza Knagg was prosecuted at Bow Street for driving without a licence. Evidence was given that she had nearly driven her husband to distraction.

MARGOT ASQUITH AS A TRAVELLER.

Reviewing "Places and Persons," by Margot Asquith, Countess of Oxford and Asquith, J. M. Bulloch writes in the "Sunday Times" that as Margot Asquith—it is awkward to give her her title and inaccurate to call her Mrs.—can always say with Ulysses, "I am a part of all that I have met," her new book is much more than a record of travel, while it is less a memoir than its immediate predecessors. It consists of jottings on journeys made to Egypt in 1891, to America in 1922, Spain in 1923, and Italy in 1924, with some "reflections upon life as I see it in 1925" by way of epilogue. But through it all runs the authentic Margot, intensely alive, and with a far deeper understanding than is usually supposed of what the theologians call eschatology, for even in 1891 she wrote:—"I never forget death, not for one moment of the day." Behind and beneath all her fluttering gaiety, which scintillates with asides—thus she tells us incidentally that she took dancing lessons from Letty Lind—there is always an idea and sometimes an awed note, as when she says of the spellbound wonder created in her by seeing the Colosseum:—"The earth seems to have sighed so deeply that she shook off all her ornaments." At almost every step she brings out the characteristics in herself. This spirit was particularly roused when she reached Cairo, and still more when she struck the desert:—"If I were surrounded by the right colouring and allowed to read and make love in the sun, I could be intensely happy. I was born out of doors, but, though a hippy in some ways, I know no one upon whom dirt, ugliness, discomfort, and unpunctuality jar so much. A mixture of city clerk, a post office woman, and a wandering circus girl."

When she left Egypt in January, 1892, her mother, who had accompanied her, said of her sister Charlotte, afterwards Lady Ribblesdale:—"I believe if she had to go to New York to-morrow morning she would pack up and be quite ready to start." It took Mrs. Asquith exactly thirty years to a day to start for the Statue of Liberty, only to find, after a whirlwind tour of thirteen weeks, that, in spite of the generosity and kindness, there is an "undercurrent of illiberalism and ferocity" in the United States. Her tour there is too recent to be recounted in detail. As in everything she writes, there is an astonishing amount of frankness about her observations—even to the extent of recounting her failures on the platform—which should offend no one who thinks seriously of things, though she is quite conscious that Americans are "nationally vain." Here are some of the "reflections."

The ingrained idea that, because there is no King, and they despise titles, the Americans are a free people is, pathetically untrue. There is a perpetual interference with personal liberty over there that would not be tolerated here. I have visited these states, been made a senator, and a member of the Senate, and I have seen a

Madame Seolt, the celebrated medium, arrived in New York by the "Morgantic" and was met by Prohibition agents who charge her with bringing spirits into the country.

A sensation was caused at Dingle Under Dell by the arrest of the mayors, who have been accused of poaching eggs.

Forging is becoming very prevalent among blacksmiths in the Midlands.

William Chopin, a workman engaged in road-making beside the River Dee, has been arrested for breaking into the bank.

John Chalkem, a pavement artist, summoned for having no visible means of support, told the magistrate at Westminster a pitiful story. He said he drew the first prize in the Calcutta Sweep but the rain washed it out again.

Many people were pleased when the "Truth in Advertising" campaign was inaugurated, but one sometimes feels that one can have too much even of truth. Some weeks ago Manchester people were cheered by the sight of an advertisement which read:—"OUR £1 BOY'S COATS ARE NOW 19s. 11d."

This, of course, is quite innocuous; but the other day, in a shop very near to the other, the following notice of a sale was seen:—"NAVY BLUE SUITS FOR 3 GUINEAS LAST 2 WEEKS"

never have a true sense of proportion. It is enormously to the credit of the American public that they have never chosen a man of that character for a President.

THE SUNNY SPANISH SHOW. She found in 1923 that the progress of America is "not so interesting as the backwardness of Spain," though she could not bring herself to see the backwardness of the bull-ring. Her refusal gave her a chance to answer the usual *tu quoque* argument about hunting:—"There is health in fox-hunting, and even shooting tires idle men, which ensures a certain morality. A good many qualities are brought out in riding straight across a big country, and a fox always has a chance to escape."

Most of her quarry are, indeed, like Reynard to her, but when Mr. Lloyd George is in the ring she is pindoor, tormentor, and mauler combined, for, all forgetful of her usual artistic detachment, she even tells the story of Frenchman from whom she bought fruit and sweets in Paris on her way back from Madrid, that his "absence of principle, incapacity for straight dealing, and pathetic ignorance of foreign affairs had brought a dazzling career into seclusion." The acidic topicality of the anger jars in a book which has claims far beyond mere journalism, and its absence from the index seems to show that the writer feels the same.

The visit to Italy last year—provocative of the remark that there is something in the quality of stone in Rome which makes it look "like coarse linen of the time of Queen Elizabeth"—is chiefly interesting for her encounter with Mussolini, with whom she spoke in French. Having seen many "pocket Napoleons," she decides that he is a "very rare man."

No one can doubt that Mussolini, in spite of fundamental defects, has done great things for Italy. My fear for him would be that, like all converts or perverts, his new Faith may make him forgetful of his old and this is a great danger.

MARGOT MOTT. The book is so saturated with obiter dicta—though she says that brilliance always exhausts her—that one could quote from it by the column. Here are some typical examples:—

Nothing devours time like regularity of life. Italian music is insultingly obvious and has no argument whatever.

It is a difficult problem, this matter of life, but I am sure you must face ideals and not fidget with them. People should be a study. Plead an interruption. Work a consolation, and Hope a duty.

"I have no doubt that if Christ were to come down on earth to-morrow He would be exposed to a more modern form of crucifixion." The joy and hope of life lie at the feet of the children. It is through children and children alone that men and women are enabled to fight every inch of the way in defeat. "I have no doubt that if Christ were to come down on earth to-morrow He would be exposed to a more modern form of crucifixion." The joy and hope of life lie at the feet of the children. It is through children and children alone that men and women are enabled to fight every inch of the way in defeat. "I have no doubt that if Christ were to come down on earth to-morrow He would be exposed to a more modern form of crucifixion." The joy and hope of life lie at the feet of the children. It is through children and children alone that men and women are enabled to fight every inch of the way in defeat.

MOROCCO FIGHTING.

FRANCE AND SPAIN JOIN FORCES.

NAVIES WORK TOGETHER.

French Skirmishes Strengthen Front.

As the first step in the joining of forces France and Spain have instructed their navies to work together in watching the entire Moroccan coast.

PREMIER'S TOUR.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, June 16. A message from Fez states that the entire front in the Wezzan sector has been consolidated following a series of skirmishes in which the French were victorious. M. Painlevé told the Cabinet that Franco-Spanish co-operation

Admiral Nallier had visited the Spanish admiral and the French warships now in territorial waters of the Riff.

Earlier Cables.

Paris, June 16. A communique from Fez states that the situation in the west is improving, and thanks to the activity of the French detachments the rebels are dispersing to the north of Wezzan.



had already begun under a provisional agreement whereby the warships of the two powers will watch the entire Moroccan coast. Cabinet Pleas.

Paris, June 16. M. Painlevé gave M. Doumergue and the Cabinet Minister an account of his journey and the

FRANCE'S PRESIDENT.



measures decided upon to minimize the duration and risks of the operations.

The Cabinet Ministers unanimously thanked the Premier. The Minister of Marine announced that in accordance with the Government's instructions

STRIKE LOOTING.

INCENDIARIES ACTIVE.

(Reuter's Service.)

SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA, June 16. The disturbances in the Cape Breton coalfield continue in spite of the presence in the strike area of over seven hundred troops.

The incendiaries, who are active at several points, last night destroyed a number of buildings near Sydney, including a powder magazine. The Federal Labour Minister the Hon. James Murdoch, arrived, and is endeavouring to mediate.

Ottawa, June 16.—Further looting has occurred in the Nova Scotia strike area. The Officer Commanding has requested immediate despatch of additional troops, although during the past few days practically all the available permanent forces in Ontario Quebec and Nova Scotia have been sent to the scene of the disturbances. The Labour Minister, Mr. Murdoch, at the request of the miners and employers, has gone to mediate. Reuter's American Service.

INSECT PESTS.

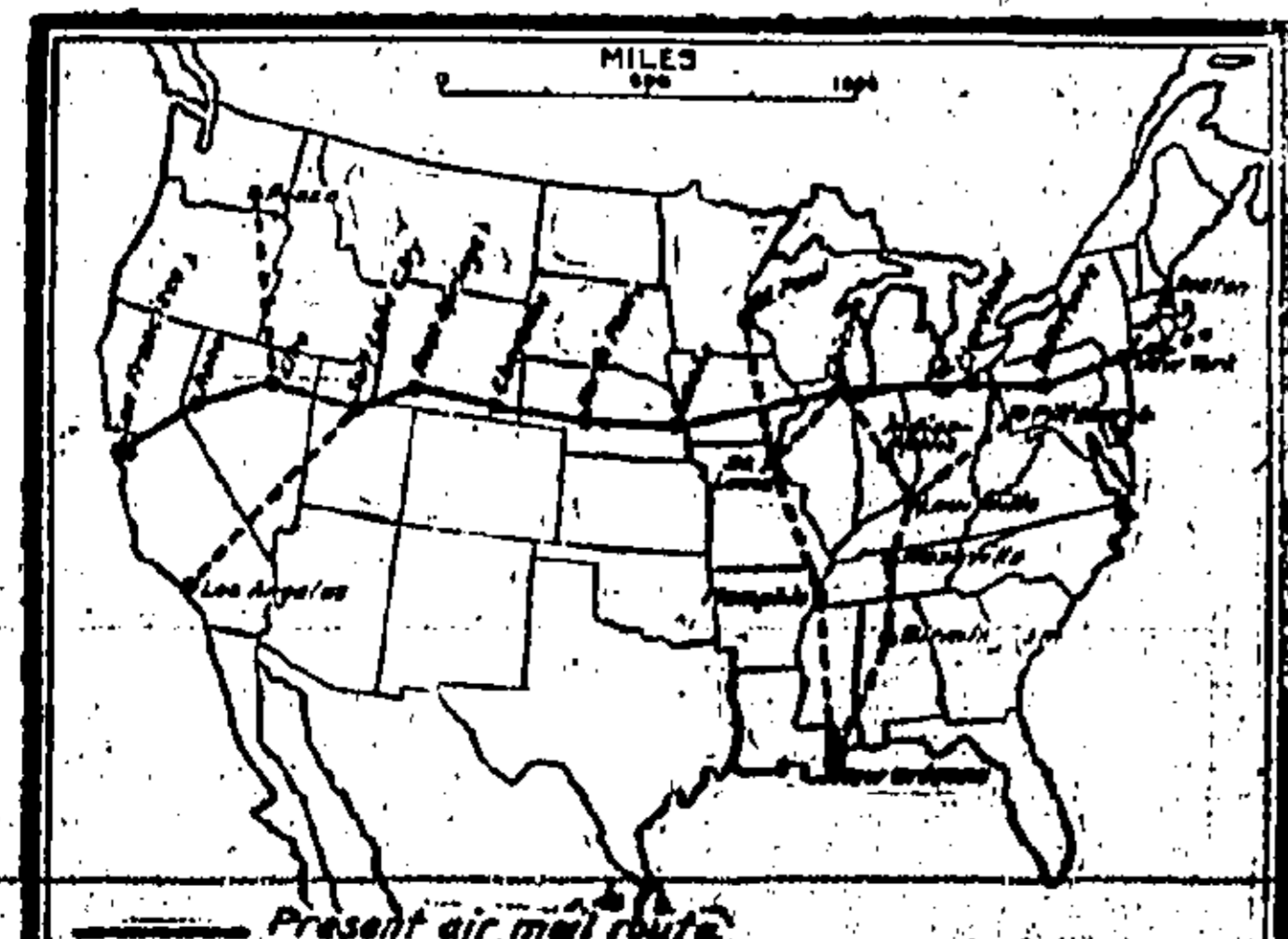
PROBLEMS FOR TWENTY NATIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, June 16. The delegates of over twenty countries were present at the Imperial Entomological Conference presided over by Mr. Ormsby Gore, under Secretary for the Colonies, for the purpose of exchanging knowledge and co-ordinating measures for combating insect pests in different parts of the Empire.

The delegates read papers inter alia for the control of termites in the Federated Malay States.

The final meeting will be held on Thursday when the conference will consider the committee's report and will be entertained by the Government.



AIR MAIL EXTENSIONS. Beginning July 1, mail will become available for Saturday delivery. The following are the cities to which service will be extended: Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Denver, Salt Lake City, Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver, and San Francisco.

EXPRESS SMASH.

Twenty-Nine People Killed.

TRAGIC SCENES.

TERRIBLE THUNDERSTORM DISASTER.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Rockport, New Jersey, June 16. The so-called "Emigrant Special" of ten coaches has been derailed in a heavy thunderstorm. Eight persons were killed and 42 injured.

They were going to New York to embark for Germany on a holiday.

GRUESOME SPECTACLE.

LATER.

It is now stated that 29 persons were killed and 69 were injured in the accident.

The passengers included a number of women and children.

A gruesome spectacle was the driver pinned standing in the cab of the overturned locomotive his hand still gripping the regulator.

FRENCH DISASTER

SAUSAGE BALLOON EXPLODES.

SOLDIERS BURNED.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, JUNE 15. A message from Coblenz states that a French sausage balloon exploded in mid-air. Fifteen soldiers were burned.

Five succumbed to their injuries and the others are in a grave condition.

THAT SECURITY PACT.

ITALY BIDES HER TIME.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, June 16. The Italian reply to the French Communication regarding the security pact withholds a statement of views pending the receipt of Germany's reply and the definite opening of negotiations.

The reply observes that the Italian Government is in agreement with the French respecting the general principles of the pact. The reply adds that the communication merely deals with the question of joint negotiations at the present situation of each country is not set forth very clearly.

[Berlin, June 16.—The French Ambassador has handed to Herr Stresemann the French reply to Germany's Security Pact Proposal. The reply will be published on June 18.]

SUDDEN DEATH.

SWARAJIST LEADER PASSES.

MR. C. R. DAS DEAD.

(Reuter's Service.)

BARCELONA, June 15. The death has taken place of Mr. C. R. Das, the Swarajist leader.

CALCUTTA, June 15. Though it was known Mr. Das was in indifferent health the news of his death came as a complete shock.

Particulars of his illness and death are lacking.

The body is being forwarded here for cremation.

PARCELS POST.

GREAT WEIGHT SUGGESTION.

(Reuter's Service.)

In the House of Commons in answer to questions, Sir W. Mitchell Thomson, Postmaster General announced that all the postal administrations of the Empire and abroad, with a few exceptions, which accepted parcels not exceeding 11 lbs. weight had been invited to exchange with British parcels not exceeding 22 lbs. weight.

Sofia, June 16.—The latest victim of the Macedonian vendetta is M. Mihalov, formerly one of the leading lieutenants of Todor Alexandrov, famous Macedonian chieftain, who was assassinated last year. Two suspects have been arrested. Reuter.

Paris, June 16.—M. Painlevé has arrived from Morocco. Reuter.

MIDNIGHT EXECUTION.

MURDEROUS THUGS ELECTROCUTED.

DEATH CHAIR SCENES.

"Please Remain Silent And Do Not Smoke."

Intensely dramatic scenes were witnessed in New York when three bandits were executed at midnight for the murder of two bank messengers.

New York.

In the New York State Prison of Ossining just before midnight Morris and Joseph Diamond and John Farina, three typical hold-up men and thugs, were electrocuted for the murder at Brooklyn in November, 1923, of two bank messengers carrying over \$28,000 in cash. This trio belonged to the murderous coterie which, according to police report, was largely

Catholic chaplain, who recited the prayers for the dying. Farina shook the ash from his cigar, kissed the crucifix, and called "Good-bye all." In each case the method of execution was identical. The executioner was the old prison electrician, John Hurlburt, whose fee is \$90—\$30 for each man. Hurlburt in his time has sent 140 men to death through turning the electric switch.



One of the most astounding confessions on record is that of "Cheeks" Luciano, who declared that, because of his hatred, he had perjured against the Diamond brothers and caused their electrocutions, as well as the electrocution of John Farina and the death sentence against Anthony Panamo. The four were charged with the murder of two bank messengers who were shot in a holdup.

responsible for the 1,747 murders which have taken place in New York during the last seven years, in the large majority of which the assassins were not discovered and punished. The murder of the bank messengers by shooting took place at ten a.m. on the elevated railway station, in the presence of the usual crowd entering or leaving trains.

"Gentlemen," said Warden Lawes, as the reporters trooped into the 30ft. square death-chamber, "you are gathered here to witness the legal execution of the brothers Diamond and John Farina. Please remain silent and do not smoke." In facing death by a 2,000-volt current the three desperadoes showed great courage. The prisoners were allowed to choose their own order of execution, and they wore the black suits furnished by the prison to condemned men about to die. Morris Diamond came first. He like his brother, was attended by Rabbi Jacob Katz. Morris wished to say before being strapped in the chair that he thought the country for which he had offered his life in the war might have spared him the electric chair. He declared he had been tried by an "aristocratic" jury, and his brother Joseph was innocent. Joseph walked to the chair with his hands in his pockets. He asked "God to burn his soul in hell if he was guilty." Farina, a stoic of stoics, carried a crucifix in one hand and a lighted cigar in the other. He was attended by Father McCaffery, the Roman

Two minutes after the current was turned on, the prison doctor stepped forward with a stetho-

ELECTROCUTED.



Top: MORRIS DIAMOND. Middle: JOSEPH DIAMOND. Bottom: JOHN FARINA.

Three men paid the death penalty at Sing Sing prison for the murder of two New York bank messengers during a \$24,000 robbery. They are Morris Diamond (top), Joseph Diamond (middle) and John Farina (bottom). One more, Anthony J. Panamo, is under death sentence.

MR. A. C. BENSON DEAD.

EDITOR OF A QUEEN'S LETTERS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 17.

The death is announced of Mr. Arthur Christopher Benson.

[Mr. Benson was Master of Magdalene College, Cambridge, and was the author of several biographical sketches, among his works being the biography of his father, Archbishop Benson.

Mr. Benson also published books on his brother, the late Monsignor Benson, and a memoir of his sister but his most formidable task was that undertaken jointly with Viscount Esher, viz. the editing of Queen Victoria's Letters. Other books written by the late Mr. Benson were "Along the Road," "Watersprings" and a volume on Poe.]

Telegraphic communication by the land line with Canton was restored last night. It is expected that communication with Swatow will also be restored in a few days.

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"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE.

COUNTY CRICKET.

LANCASHIRE CHECKED AT LORD'S.

HOBBS AGAIN.

LATEST RESULTS AND TABLE.

Yesterday saw an important stage in the county cricket struggle at Home. Every county has been defeated at least once with the exception of Yorkshire who won the championship last year.

Thanks to the other counties pegging one another back, the Tykes now have a clear lead. With Middlesex beating Lancashire—the Red Rose county has been tipped by "Plum" Warner and has been in the first position for some time—after going down to Yorkshire (and it should not be forgotten, Essex), the competition becomes exciting. After Yorkshire, the next three counties in the table are close to one another and they will all be watching for Yorkshire's next slip.

Kent go above Nottingham owing to the latter's defeat by Yorkshire (reported yesterday) and after the first six there is a big drop in percentage. Hampshire and Somerset seem to be making an effort to get out of the rut but Sussex, who are without A. E. R. Gilligan's bowling (under medical orders) have much to make up.

From now onwards each match will have more than normal interest for far away Hongkong with a thrill when the surprise comes along.

Of the matches, the results of which are given below, the most important is the victory of Middlesex at Lord's, thanks to big contributions from Hearne and Hendren (both Test Match players) who have again done well this season.

Hobbs has again found his form and is still making runs merrily. Watson, the Lancashire batsman has been performing consistently in several matches.

Perhaps the only surprise was the defeat of Sussex at Hove by Somerset who are without several of last year's leading players.

Details follow:—

The Lord's Match.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16. Middlesex, at Lord's, beat Lancashire by ten wickets.

Scores:—Lancashire (1st innings) 237. Watson, F., scored 108. Durston, T. J., took 7 wickets for 47 runs. (Durston, who stands 6 ft. 5 in. was chosen to play against the Australians in 1921).

Middlesex (1st innings) 336. Hearne, J. W., made 87 and Hendren, E., 142; Macdonald, E. A., the former Australian Test Match fast bowler, took 6 wickets for 145 runs.

Lancashire (2nd innings) 103. Nigel Haig took 4 wickets for 16 runs.

Middlesex (2nd innings) 8 runs for no wicket.

Surrey's Strong Batting. At the Oval, Surrey beat Essex by 188 runs. Scores:—Surrey 445. Hobbs, J. B., who has already scored five centuries



P. G. H. Fender.

this season, made 107, D. R. Jardine 79, Peach, H. A., 71 and P. G. H. Fender (the Surrey skipper) made 79.

Essex 232. Cutmore, J. A., contributed 61 not out. Surrey 213 for 4 wickets declared. This time Hobbs hit up 87 and Peach 50.

Essex 238. Rev. F. H. Gillingham made 92. [This is a return match. In the first encounter, Surrey led on the first innings.]

Hants Beat Warwick. At Southampton, Hampshire beat Warwickshire by an innings and 87 runs. Scores:—Warwick 282. Parsons, J. H., scored 77.

Hants 468. Captain T. O. Jameson compiled 108 and Mead, E., 96.

Warwick 144. Kennedy, A., took 6 wickets for 44 runs. (Continued at foot of next column.)

ALL SQUARE.

INTERNATIONAL TENNIS MATCH.

FIRST DAY'S GAMES.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, June 16.

At Eastbourne, in the lawn tennis, Britain v. American (Wimbledon contingent) match on Davis Cup lines, i.e., four singles and one double, the first day's results were:—

Casey (American) beat J. D. P. Wheatley (British) 6-0, 6-1, 6-3. Gilbert (British) beat Hennessy (American) 6-2, 6-3, 7-5.

MILITARY SPORT.

GARRISON TENNIS LEAGUE.

The results of matches played in the Garrison Tennis League during the week ending June 13, were as follows:—

R.E. "B" beat "A" Coy., East Surrey Regt. by 71 games to 28. R.A.S.C. beat R.E. "A" by 62 to 37.

H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regt. beat Small Units by 65 to 34. R.A.M.C. scratched to R.A.O.C. Cricket Final.

The final of the Garrison Cricket League competition, the 13th Heavy Battery, R.A.V. "C" Company, the 1st Bn., The East Surrey Regiment, is to be played to-morrow afternoon on the Indian Recreation Ground, Sookumpoo.

Play will begin at 2 p.m. H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Forces in China (Major-General C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.) has consented to present the Challenge Cup and Medals to the winners at the conclusion of the match.

Tate to the Fore.

After leading on the first innings at Hove, Sussex went down to Somerset by 76 runs. Scores:—

Somerset 199. Young, A., made 86. Tate, M. W., took 5 wickets for 62 runs.

Sussex 213.

Somerset 230.

Sussex 140.

Leicester Move Up.

At Leicester, Leicestershire beat Gloucestershire by five wickets. Scores:—

Gloucestershire 124. Astill, W. E., took 5 wickets for 21 runs.

Leicestershire 252. Hammond, W. R., made 96.

Leicester 119 for 5 wickets.

Tonbridge Week.

Kent commenced their Tonbridge week in auspicious manner, trouncing Derbyshire by an innings and 82 runs. Scores:—

Derby 99. Freeman, A. P., took 5 wickets for 35 runs.

Kent 448. Seymour, J., made 106 and Collins, G. E., 105 not out.

Derby 317. G. R. Jackson scored 127.

To-day's Fixtures.

Twelve of the first-class counties will be engaged in championship matches commencing to-day, the most important of which is probably that between Kent and Middlesex. The full list is:—

Lord's—North v. South, Minor Counties (2 days).

Oval—Surrey v. Cambridge University.

Tonbridge—Kent v. Middlesex.

Huddersfield—Yorkshire v. Glamorgan.

Leicester—Leicestershire v. Warwickshire.

Trent Bridge—Notts v. Worcestershire.

Brighton—Sussex v. Gloucestershire.

Leyton—Essex v. Lancashire.

GIRL SWIMMER.

BREAKS MEN'S 21 MILES RECORDS.

CHANNEL ATTEMPT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, June 16.

Miss Gertrude Ederle, the famous American girl swimmer, who yesterday accomplished the amazing feat of breaking the men's



Miss Gertrude Ederle.

record, covering a distance of 21 miles down New York harbour from Battery to Sandy Hook in 7 hours, 11 minutes, 30 seconds, is going to England on June 17 to attempt to swim the English Channel.

H.M. ABRAHAMS

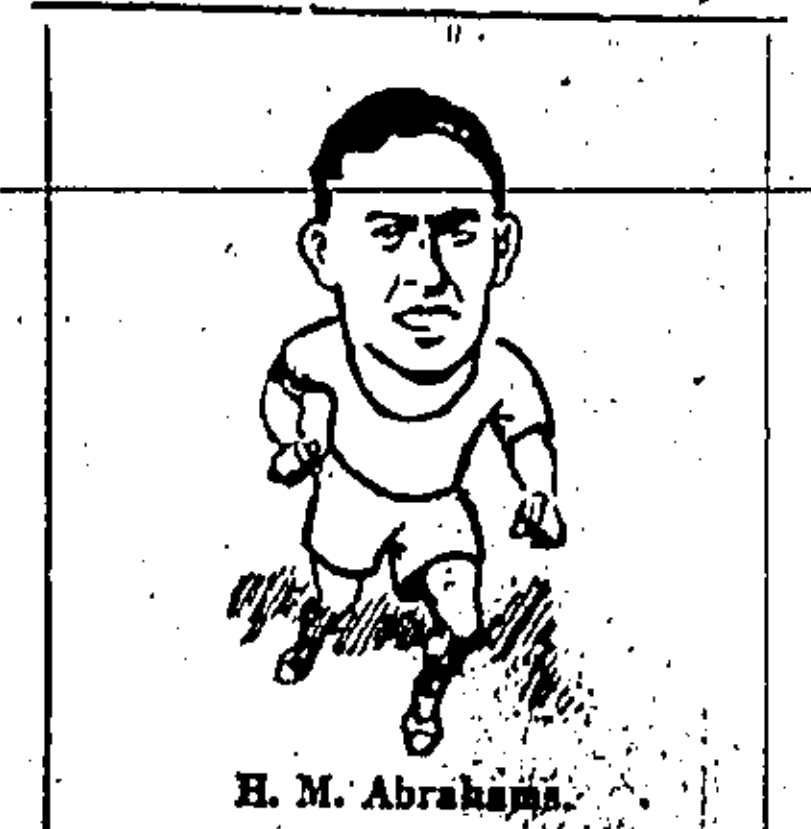
FAMOUS ATHLETE INJURED.

ONE SEASON'S ABSENCE?

In mail week news from Home indicated that H. M. Abrahams, who won the 100 metres sprint for Britain at the Paris Olympic Games, has again seriously injured himself.

After his success last year there was talk of his not returning to the running track.

As a member of the Achilles Club, he took part in a recent handicap. According to the latest



H. M. Abrahams.

news, he tore a muscle whilst attempting a long jump at Queen's Club and had to be removed to a private nursing home.

Dr. Adolphe Abrahams, his brother, also well-known in the athletic world, stated that it would be a few days before the full extent of the injury can be discovered. The damage to the muscle was more than at first supposed and there had been a good deal of hemorrhage. He would not be able to take part in any athletic games this year at least.

COUNTY CRICKET.

Championship Table To Date.

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	Per cent.
Yorkshire	9	8	0	0	45	91.1
Lancashire	10	7	1	2	50	82.0
Surrey	10	6	1	3	50	78.0
Middlesex	9	6	2	1	45	73.3
Kent	7	4	2	1	35	65.7
Notts	7	4	1	2	35	62.5
Essex	9	4	3	2	45	48.8
Hampshire	9	3	4	2	45	46.6
Northamptonshire	7	3	3	1	35	45.7
Somerset	10	3	5	2	50	42.0
Gloucestershire	11	4	5	2	55	40.0
Leicestershire	10	3	6	1	50	36.0
Sussex	10	3	5	2	50	34.0
Derbyshire	9	2	5	2	45	26.6
Warwickshire	10	2	6	2	50	20.0
Glamorgan	4	0	4	0	50	0

MOTOR MENACE.

SHEAF OF CASES IN KOWLOON.

NUMBER OF CONVICTIONS.

At the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, Mr. E. W. Hamilton had a busy day in disposing of a large number of traffic summonses. Some of the summonses were adjourned.

The first summons heard was against Dr. W. L. Thomas, who was charged with driving his motor car along Nathan Road without a rear light. The complainant being absent, the case was dismissed.

Mr. M. K. Lo appeared to defend Mr. and Mrs. Wu Pui-wah, who were charged on separate counts with breaches of traffic regulations.

The former was charged with alleged reckless driving of his motor car at Nathan Road on May 31. It was stated that he was travelling at the rate of 25 to 30 miles without sounding his horn and narrowly missed some children on the roadway.

Mr. Lo argued at length on the propriety of issuing a summons a fortnight after the alleged offence was committed and questioned the wording of the summons, which he said was very vague. He also objected to a suggestion from the Bench that the defendant's licence should be suspended pending an adjournment for one week. After preliminary evidence, the case was adjourned until next Tuesday.

Mrs. Wu Pui-wah was charged with failing to report an accident at Nathan Road on May 31. Her car was alleged to have knocked down two Chinese boys riding bicycles near the Kum Hing Knitting Factory. Mr. Lo, for the defence, pleaded not guilty. Mr. J. S. Willes, who witnessed the accident, stated in evidence that the car ran into the boys and drove away without stopping. Witness later made a report to the Police. The defendant admitted that a bicycle collided with the rear part of her car. As the two boys on the bicycles were not injured, she did not stop but merely slowed down. A fine of \$50 was imposed.

Mr. W. S. Hillier was charged with dangerous driving of his motor cycle in Nathan Road opposite the Po Hing Theatre and with failing to produce his licence. Evidence was given that he knocked down a Chinese who was standing in the roadway. Defendant claimed that the Chinese jumped from a motor bus preceding him without any warning and was knocked down by his cycle. The first charge was dismissed, but on the charge of failing to produce his licence a fine of \$5 was imposed.

MINOR CASES.

Mr. H. Duncan was fined \$5 for dangerous driving at Nathan Road. The defendant was stated to have been driving at the rate of 80 miles an hour, but he pleaded that as he had no speedometer he was not aware that he was going so fast.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on Mr. G. Margit for driving a motor car without an illuminated rear light.

The driver of a motor car belonging to Mr. P. C. Potts was fined \$5 for disregarding traffic signals near the "Star" Ferry wharf.

For causing obstruction by leaving his motor cycle unattended outside Nathan House, Mr. P. Munn was fined \$5.

A CENTRAL CASE.

At the Central Magistrate, Mr. B. Pasco was fined \$2 for driving a motor car without a proper driver's licence. The case arose out of an accident which occurred last month when Mr. Pasco collided with a tramcar. In imposing the fine, the Magistrate remarked that he was dealing with him leniently as Mrs. Pasco had been injured.

"SONG OF LIFE."

QUEEN'S THEATRE ATTRACTION.

"The Song of Life," with an all-star cast, is the attraction at the Queen's Theatre, an engagement of three days commencing to-day.

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After the picture, Miss Ivy Nichols, the little Australian star with a very sweet voice will give an entertainment in charming Irish songs and latest chorus hits.

M. J. (Tumbled) the captain of "Downside School" was granted special leave of absence by his headmaster in order to play in the Glasgow League football team.

THIS WEEK'S BAZAAR.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE'S BIG EFFORT.

THE FUN OF THE FAIR.

It was thought at one time that the two days' bazaar which St. Stephen's College had arranged in aid of the Building fund would have to be postponed but it has now been definitely decided to hold it on the days arranged.

The grounds of the University of Hongkong, also the Great Hall, are the venue for the bazaar and they will be open from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday during the whole of which time visitors are promised something to maintain interest and enjoyment. The grounds will be lighted by electric light in the evening.

In the grounds amusements of many kinds and refreshment stalls are to be provided, the former including the revolving wheel and shoot which are an indispensable feature of all the big bazaars held in the Colony, whilst inside are to be stalls containing articles mostly given by local business houses. Each school form has also been responsible for a stall and that containing articles from the Southern seas should be particularly worth visiting. A concert is to be given each evening.

The Hon. Sir Claude Severn, K.B.E., C.M.G., is to perform the opening ceremony on Friday and Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son on Saturday, the chair being taken on both occasions by Sir Henry Pollock, K.C.

Admission to the Bazaar will cost 20 cents and tea will cost 50 cents.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

June 17.—Coronet Theatre, "If Winter Comes."

June 17.—World Theatre, "The Temporary Marriage."

June 17.—Queen's Theatre, "Song of Life."

June 17.—Star Theatre, "The 'Ridin' Kid of Powder River."

June 22.—Theatre Royal, Edward Johnson, world-famed Canadian tenor, 9.30 p.m.

SOCIALS.

June 20.—Fortnightly dance at the Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.

July 4.—Special Dinner Dance at Hongkong Hotel, from 8 p.m. to midnight.

SPORTS.

June 18.—Lawn Tennis Assn. meeting at the Pavilion of the H.K. Cricket Club, 5.30 p.m.

June 18.—Annual meeting of members of the Victoria Recreation Club, at Y.T.C., 6 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

June 18.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Room, household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

June 23.—Lammert Bros., at 9, Broadwood Road, household furniture, 2.45 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS.

June 17.—Theosophical Society's lecture on "Some Difficulties of the 'Inner Life'." 16, Queen's Road Central, 5.45 p.m.

TRAINS TO CANTON.

ATTEMPTS TO RESTORE SERVICE.

Railroad communication between Canton and Hongkong was again resumed yesterday but whether it will be found possible to resume the full service remains yet to be seen.

Early yesterday morning the authorities responsible for the Chinese sector telegraphed from Canton that a train was leaving for Kowloon but this did not get through to Shanghai until 11 p.m.

There were very few passengers. The British section are reciprocating and on the running of trains whether or not a regular service of slow (third class) trains will be established. A through fast train (first class) service, however, can not be resumed so easily although hopes are expressed that this will be only a question of a comparatively short time.

There were few matters of public interest at the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board held yesterday afternoon. Mr. W. L. Smith presided, the members present being Dr. W. W. Pearce (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. W. V. Keogh, Dr. J. C. Macgregor, Mr. S. W. Lee and Mr. G. Kennedy-Skipiton (Secretary), with Mr. D. Davies (Assistant Secretary).

It was decided to refuse an application for an offensive trade licence for the second time. The Chairman recommended the granting of an application for the registration of 59 Wongwan Street, ground floor, as a public house.

Mr. J. (Tumbled) the captain of "Downside School" was granted special leave of absence by his headmaster in order to play in the Glasgow League football team.

Mr. George Bess, aged 77, a well-known member of Long Beach and San Francisco, has been elected to the position of President of the Bess Club, aged 77.

\$10,000 CLAIM.

FOSTER FATHER'S EVIDENCE.

OVERDRAFT QUESTION.

Giving evidence in the Supreme Court this morning in the case in which his adopted son is sued by the Industrial & Commercial Bank for \$10,000 under a document signed by him, Chan Lui-chia said that he started his son in his own business (the Fook Cheung firm) after he had completed his education at Queen's College at a salary of \$20 per month. The 1,000 shares which his son had in the business had not been given by witness who said he did not know how he came by them. His son was afterwards made assistant manager and given no more salary although he was to have a bonus. He often took charge although the business was never handed over to him. Not being used to foreign forms in regard to banking it was arranged that witness's adopted son should operate on his account with the Bank and when the question of an overdraft arose he was told by the manager of the Bank that his presence would not be required but that that of his adopted son would be sufficient. The adopted son attended and signed on behalf of the firm but the account all along had been the account of the firm and the firm only. The guarantee he signed was on behalf of the firm and not a personal one, said witness. The adopted son had signed on that occasion just as he signed cheques on behalf of the firm.

Referring to the fact that judgment by consent had already been given against the Fook Cheung firm, Mr. Jenkin claimed that once that had been done no claim could be upheld against an alleged co-debtor.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) is for the plaintiff bank and Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Deacons) for the defence.

Mr. Jenkin had contended that he had no case to answer when the plaintiffs had finished their case yesterday afternoon but the Chief Justice found against him. Mr. Jenkin pointed out that witness after witness had stated the account was the account of the Fook Cheung firm and their only, also, the overdraft. The only way in which he could be liable was either by being held to be a partner (and this had not been put forward) or by being held to be a guarantor. This he was not and not a single witness had been able to shed light on the question whether or not the defendant was liable by the mere fact of his signature appearing on a document.

WOMAN DOCTOR.

ALLEGED ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE.

HOTEL INCIDENT.

A further remand was ordered at Westminster Police Court when Helen O'Brien, aged 35, described as a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, of Shelley Cottage, Worthing, was charged with attempting to commit suicide by taking morphia at the Hotel Belgravia, Grosvenor Gardens, on April 24.

Inspector Hill stated at the last hearing that the woman admitted taking the contents of two morphia tubes, saying: "I want to finish it and die. I will take some more as soon as I can get the chance."

Mr. Conway, solicitor, defending, asked Inspector Hill yesterday if Dr. O'Brien was still under the influence of the drug when he saw her. The Inspector replied that she was.

Mr. Francis (the magistrate) handed Mr. Conway a report made by the prison doctor, remarking that, in view of it, he thought it would be necessary to have a further remand.

Mr. Conway: I hope not, sir. Doctors of standing and intimate knowledge of the defendant will be called. The suggestion I am going to make to you is that the proper course to adopt is to be blind her over to her friends, who will take great care of her.

After consultation with Dr. O'Brien and a medical adviser, Mr. Conway said that it was thought another week's remand would be desirable, and he did not intend to press what he hoped to do next week.

Mr. Francis, in ordering a further remand, said nobody was more anxious than he was to do the best thing for the defendant.

Permission was given for a number of Dr. O'Brien's friends to see her before her removal.

Mr. George Bess, aged 77, a well-known member of Long Beach and San Francisco, has been elected to the position of President of the Bess Club, aged 77.

STREET TORNENT.

CHINESE WORKMAN'S HEROISM.

SEVERAL LIVES SAVED.

An act of heroism marked the flooding of St. Francis Street, Wanchai, on Monday night, a young Chinese workman effecting the rescue of a number of children at considerable risk to himself.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A receiver has been appointed for the Pung Chow Co., Inc., of New York, formerly one of the largest domestic manufacturers of mah-jongg sets. The company encountered financial troubles with the advent of the cross-word puzzle craze, which resulted in a decline of interest in mah-jongg.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for last week shows 1 Chinese case of small-pox, 3 cases of enteric fever (1 English and 2 Indian), 2 cases of paratyphoid fever (1 American and 1 Chinese), and 5 fatal Chinese cases of cerebro-spinal fever (3 imported).

A District Court Martial will assemble at Murray Barracks, at 10 am, to-morrow for the trial of Duffadar Daulat Khan, Hongkong Mule Corps and Private George Webb, 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment. The President of the Court will be Major R. C. Campbell, 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment.

The American Consul-General at Hongkong is authority for the estimate that a sum equal to 250,000,000 silver dollars is sent annually to that British Colony by Chinese living overseas as remittances to relatives, investments, and for the fulfilment of obligations. Another estimate reckons a total of \$100,000,000 in remittances from Cantonese abroad to Canton. Swallow is believed to receive annually about \$30,000,000, and Amoy, \$20,000,000. American contributions to missionary and other philanthropic work in China are said to aggregate at least \$25,000,000 a year. The maintenance of foreign diplomatic missions, foreign men of war in Chinese waters, foreign expeditionary forces, and foreign shipping in China, probably amounts to \$20,000,000 a year. Tourists' expenditures annually may be reckoned at about \$10,000,000. The aggregate of these invisible imports would probably net at least 300,000,000 silver dollars per annum. To this sum must be added the investments of foreign capital in business enterprises in China.

Great excitement prevailed in Liverpool Chinatown on May 9, when plain-clothes police swooped down in motor-vans on three separate premises in connection with alleged gaming offences. Five Chinese and another coloured man were taken into custody.

At the opening on May 16 of the Printing Trades' International Exhibition in London Prince Henry referred to the presence of visitors from China and Japan, and said that printing ranked in importance as the sixth industry in this country.

Everything served at a luncheon given on May 18 at the House of Commons by Lieut.-Commander A. C. Rawson to inaugurate an Empire shopping week in Brighton and Hove, was produced within the British Empire. Singapore was represented by tipples, Malaya by pineapple and Hongkong by preserved ginger.

Writing of queer ways of reckoning time, a correspondent mentions an interesting custom that prevails in the Philippine Islands, where they reckon distances in cigarettes. If you ask a Filipino how far such-and-such a place is, he will reply: "Señor, it is so many cigarettes." If it is one cigarette, you may reckon it at five minutes' walk.

The last Annual Report of the Mission to Seamen records encouraging progress at Shanghai and Hongkong as well as in over 100 other ports of the world; and it concludes: "In looking back at the steady and continuous growth of our work we must indeed thank God and take courage for the future. But we are also most fully aware that no executive growth can be obtained except at the cost of pain and stress. At this very moment we are considering plans for even greater extension and the opening up of new fields of work." Statistics are given showing that 670,488 seamen availed themselves of the Society's Institutes for Social Entertainment and Ambulance classes as well as Religious Service during last year.

"Not guilty," said a deaf prisoner at the Old Bailey when asked if he had any money.

The annual general meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club is to be held on Friday next at 6 p.m.

St. Paul's Fund now totals \$218,763. No donations from the Far East have been acknowledged this week (May 21).

"What, and me been here all these times," exclaimed a woman prisoner at Willesden, when the magistrate said he did not know her.

Our Finance and Commerce columns give particulars of a proposed winding-up resolution in connection with Puntal Ltd., Singapore.

"Pity poor, pedestrians," exclaimed the Highgate magistrate. "They can't walk on the roads because of motors, and now cyclists come on to the footway."

"Some people calculate dates from important events in their lives. In Yorkshire, for instance, they calculate by the date of the St. Leger," remarked counsel at Clerkenwell County Court.

The May issue of The Architects' Journal contains a well-illustrated account of the magnificent premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at Shanghai, of which it is said "the materials for the building have been obtained from all parts of the world, and the crafts and trades of all have been employed."

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Andre Dupre, the French boxer, attended an exhibition of Chinese boxing at the rooms of the Chinese Boxing Association, Cause Road, last evening.

Will Hender's jazz band played at a Press luncheon in the Stadium Restaurant a few days before the opening of the Exhibition at Wembley. Mr. Hender will be remembered by the jazzists of Hongkong and Shanghai of 1922-23 season.

New York University has chartered an 18,000-ton liner for a students' experimental world tour. It has been rechristened the University and will sail on September 25, carrying 450 students, as well as a number of professors from co-operating universities. The term in this floating college will last eight months, during which period the ship will visit 30 ports in 35 different countries and in five continents. The ship will visit the Far East.

To little Jean Mollison, aged 5, grand-daughter of the head of J. P. Mollison and Co., of Yokohama, belongs the honour of having sat with the King and Queen in the box railway on Treasure Island at Wembley on May 14. The King it appears, chatted with Jean on the trip, and soon overcame her shyness. Some members of the Mollison family were lost, it will be remembered, in the earthquake at Yokohama in 1923, and the survivors, including Jean, obtained succour at Hongkong on the way home as refugees.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Shanghai Rotary Club, it was voted that copies of a telegram received from the Tientsin Rotary Club and the reply of the Shanghai Rotary Club be sent to the foreign and Chinese newspapers in Shanghai. Following is the copy of the message received from the Tientsin Rotary Club: "Rotary Club, Shanghai: We members Tientsin Rotary Club convey fraternal greetings Shanghai Rotary Club and wish tender our sympathies in present troubles deepening as we do any courtesies which tend to mar the happiness of international relations or run counter to the principles of service. We hope that the principle of mutual respect and confidence for which Rotary stands will be quickly re-established. The following message was sent in reply to the above: 'Rotary Club, Tientsin: Greetings. We share your views. Members Shanghai Rotary Club are doing all possible to re-establish mutual respect and confidence.'

Mrs. F. H. Crapnell, Mr. R. K. Valentine and Mrs. F. C. Jenkin were amongst those who left yesterday by the Sarpedon.

To add to the depression of the rain, householders concerned are receiving notice from landlords of the 15 per cent rent increase allowed by the Rents Ordinance.

Mr. Walter Sinclair, whose work in connection with the Hongkong A.D.C. will long be remembered, has accepted the Directorship of the Hart House Theatre, Toronto, and will take over his duties there next month.

The lists, which have been available for the signature of foreign residents in the Colony wishing to associate themselves in the address to be given to His Excellency the Governor will be closed on Thursday, 18th instant.

A twelve-year-old boy, James Whitehead Waterfoot, at the musical festival at Morecambe won the violoncello solo competition against senior players. The judge described him as "a little master with a great future."

Mr. W. E. Smith has been appointed Acting General Manager of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., the British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., and the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., during the absence of Mr. Paul Lander.

According to the United Press, three men tried to kidnap Mary Pickford, but their plot was discovered. They had expected to make Douglas Fairbanks pay \$200,000 ransom. They also intended to kidnap Pola Negri, but how much Charlie Chaplin was to be made to pay is not mentioned.

The Shanghai stork has not gone on strike, at least not at Dr. Anne Walter Fearn's Hospital, 30, Route Pichon, French Concession, where three babies were born yesterday morning (June 8). They were a son to the Rev. and Mrs. Clifford M. Drury of the Community Church; a daughter to Prof. and Mrs. L. H. Schmitt of St. John's University; and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. N. W. B. Clarke. Mr. Clarke is Assistant Engineer in the Public Works Department of the Municipality. It was reported yesterday that an attempt was made by members of the Students' Union to induce the Chinese staff at Dr. Fearn's Hospital to strike, but up to yesterday they were still on the job.

George Bernard Shaw doesn't go to theatres to understand plays; he goes to enjoy them. He says so himself and elucidates further as follows: "I hate plays that I can understand because they are not like life, which nobody understands. Give me a play at which I have not the faintest notion what anyone will say next or how the play will end; how else can you expect me to keep awake at my age? I have peculiar tastes. Most people prefer a regular, proper, well-made play, because they can tell beforehand what everyone is going to say before they open their mouths and guess what is going to happen at the end. I would as soon pay to see all the buses stop in Piccadilly Circus and the conductors call out their destinations." Shaw made the remarks in commenting upon a new London play, "Comedy of Good and Evil," a play which no one understood, but which a few people, including Shaw, enjoyed.

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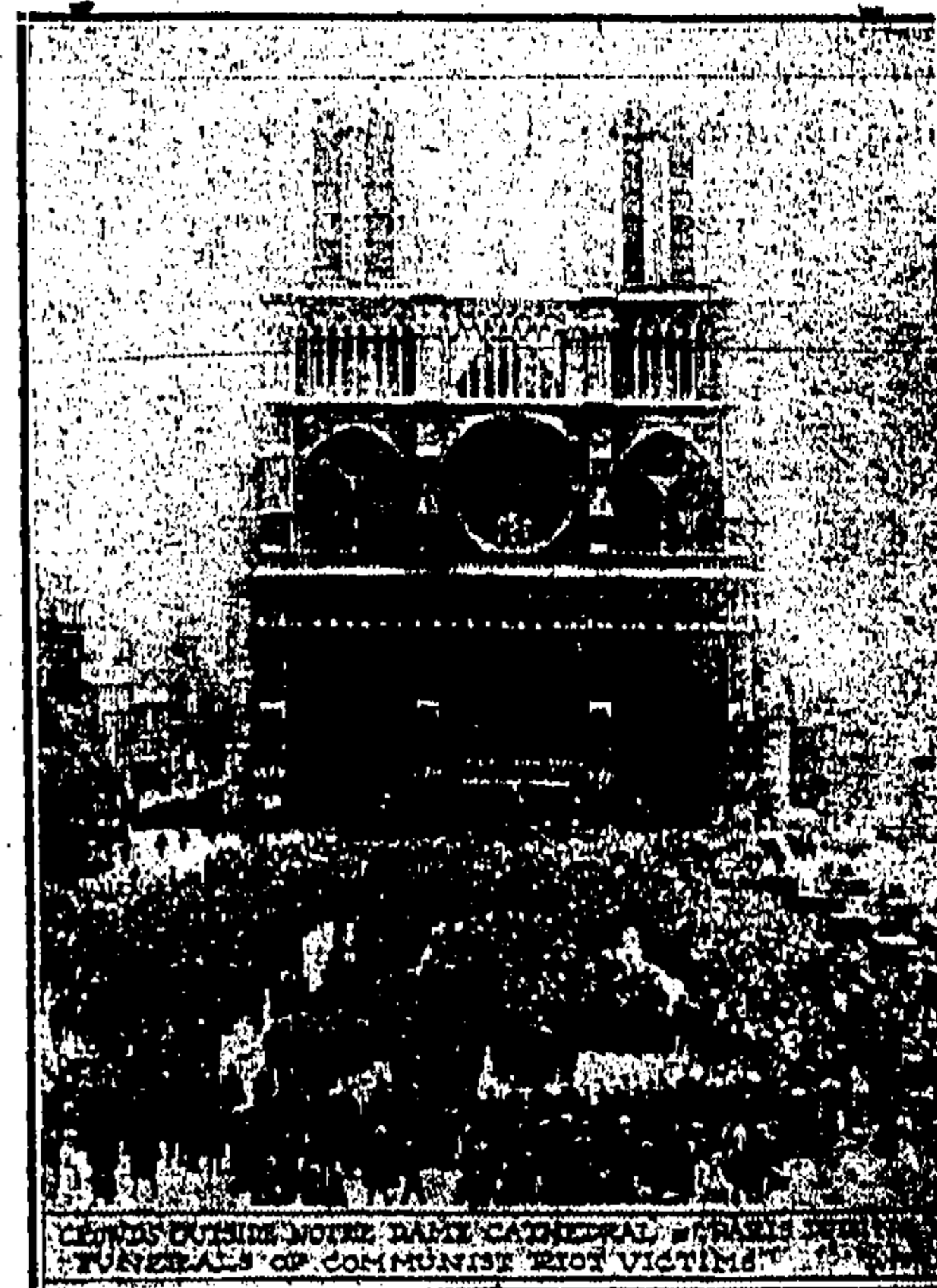
This embrace took place when Mrs. Julie Graf Shepherd, arraigned in a Chicago Court as an accessory to the murders of William McClintock and his mother, was confronted with her husband, William D. Shepherd, held without bail for the same murders.

Sky Champ.



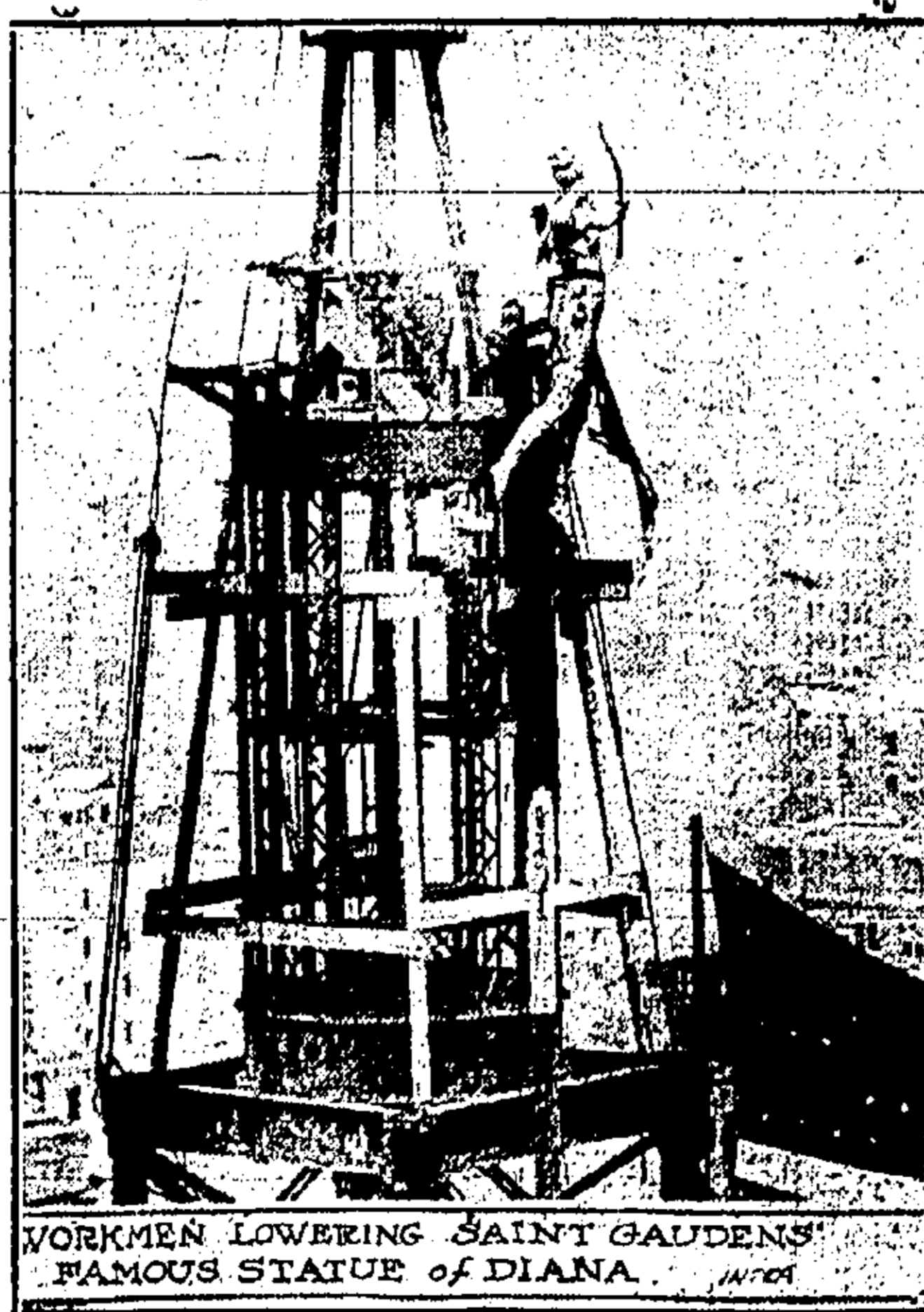
Lieutenant J. R. Kyle, of the naval aviation staff, was chief pilot on the heavy U. S. Navy seaplane "PN-9" that recently broke all endurance records by remaining in the air twenty-eight hours and thirty-eight minutes over Philadelphia, in preparation for a flight from the west coast to Honolulu, shattering the previous record by nearly fourteen hours. The flight consumed 1,300 gallons of gas and 150 gallons of oil.

FUNERAL OF REDS' VICTIMS.



Government officials, Generals, and other prominent personages attended the impressive funeral services in the Cathedral of Notre Dame, at Paris, for the four victims shot dead in the Communist riots. Thousands, unable to enter the cathedral, stood outside with bowed heads during the ceremonies.

DIANA COMES DOWN TO EARTH.



The lowering of Saint-Gaudens' famous statue of Diana, that has for thirty years stood at the top of the tower of Stanford White's masterpiece, Madison Square Garden, famous for boxing bouts, conventions and circuses, brought wistful memories to the eyes of a crowd of old-timers who watched the proceedings reverently from Madison Square. Diana will not be lost, however, as New York University will re-erect the famous tower with the statue above it on the campus. Photo shows the statue as it started its descent, with New York's skyline in the background.

In Uniform.



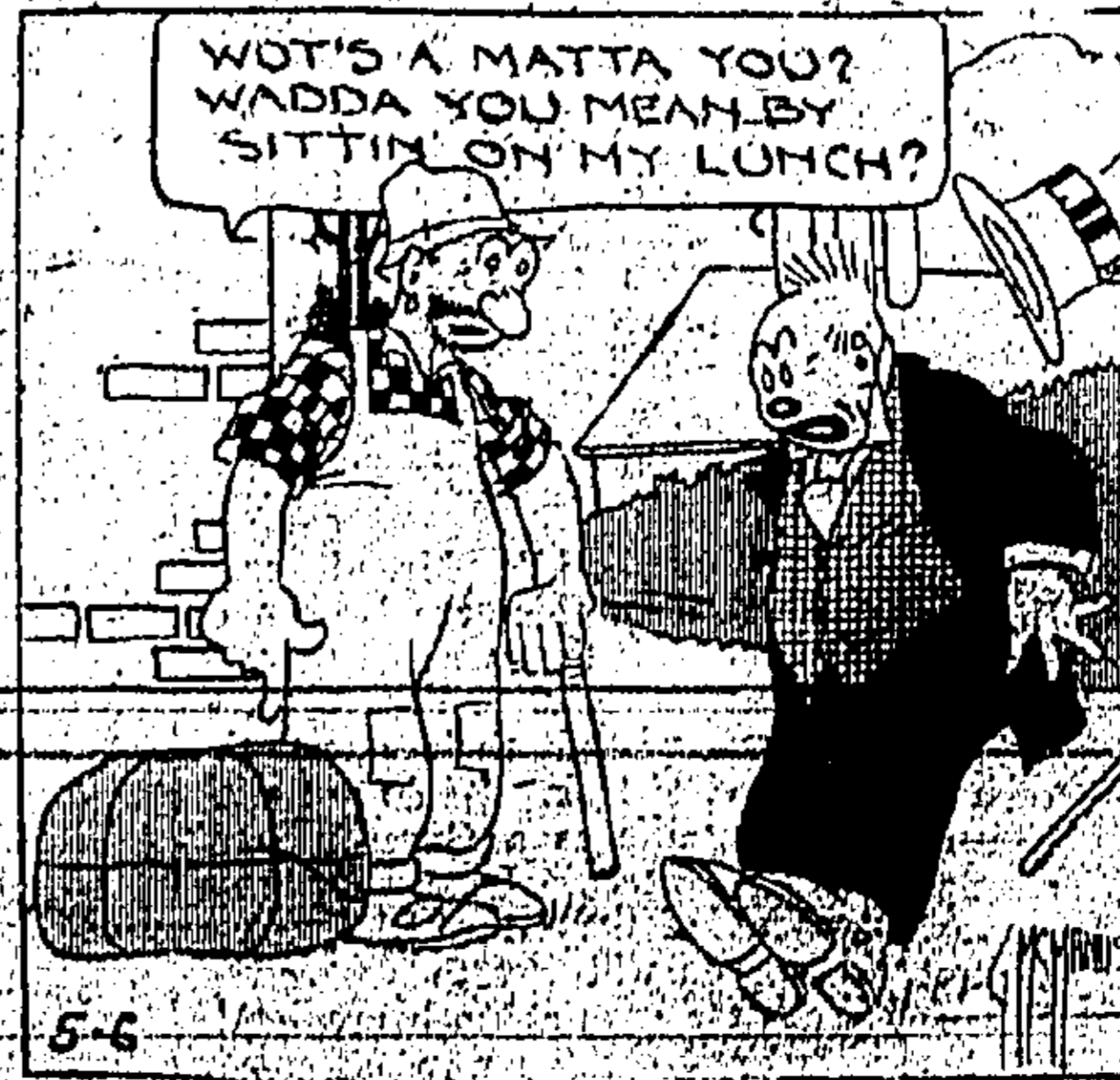
Field Marshal von Hindenburg, newly-elected President of the German Republic, was greatly agitated over the question of his uniform, not knowing whether he should wear it as Field Marshal or discard it as President. This most recent photo shows him reviewing troops parading in his honour immediately before his election.

NOTABLES IN THE NEWS.



Gerrard Winston, Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury, sailing for home from Paris, declared Joseph Caillaux, new Minister of Finance, is the man to unravel France's money problems. Col. George Harvey, former Ambassador to Great Britain, editor of a Washington newspaper, plans to abandon journalism. Lord Milner was stricken with sleeping sickness on his estate near Canterbury. J. Philip Bird, of Plainfield, was chosen president of the Manufacturers' Association of New Jersey.

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ODDS AND ENDS**The Duchess's Charm.**About the Duchess of York. They
are still talking in Egypt and Africa
of her grace and charm. The let-
ters that are coming to London
prove that. I was shown one let-
ter to-day (says "A Man about
Town" in the London "Evening
News"). It came from a member of
Lord Allenby's staff. "I've seen a
good deal of the Duchess," ran one
phrase. "She is as beautiful in
mind as she is in face and form.
Everyone here fell under her spell.
I fancy that official life tires her,
but she has many happy little hol-
idays amidst the working days of
the Royal Household."**Ladies in the House.**The pretty incident of Mrs.
Churchill and the children waving
to father before he began his Bud-
get oration is a reminder how times
have changed in the House
(observes a "Star" writer). In the
eighteenth century, for instance,
ladies could peer into the House
through a hole in the ceiling of a
loft. But that was all. And it is
not so many years since the old
grille was abolished. There is re-
cord of ladies frequenting the
Strangers' Gallery disguised as men.
The Duchess of Gordon is said to
have invaded the gallery in such
attire. And the story goes that the
beautiful Mrs. Brinsley Sheridan
also donned the breeches to hear a
speech by her husband.**Silk Stocking Clubs.**Silk stocking clubs have become
an important factor in the feminine
life of East London, and have
taken the place of the famous
feather clubs which flourished
when ostrich feathers were in their
prime (says a "Star" writer).
Even in the poorest parts of the
East End to wear cotton stockings
to-day means a distinct loss of
caste. In order to prevent this
"the East End flapper" puts six-
pence a week into one of the stock-
ing clubs which have sprung up
in many of the workrooms and
factories employing girl labour.
The girl whose turn it is to draw
the total amount invested in this
way provided with a sum sufficient
to keep her in artificial silk hose
till the year round. "I haven't
sold a pair of cotton stockings for
a very long time," said a draper
with a big East End business.
"The demand is all for artificial silk
stockings, and we sell these from
1s. 3d. to 4s. 11d. a pair. In
nearly every instance the customer
buys them on the check or club
system. A girl will come in and
buy two or three pairs of stockings,
and then go into the other depart-
ments and buy other clothing to
the value of the money remaining
on the check. The sum available
varies from 10s. to 25s. according
to the weekly amount paid into
the club. "Whatever may be saidfor or against the system, the East
End has never been so well dress-
ed as she is now," he pointed out.
"The East End housewife has
learned the art of shopping, and how
to get the best value for her money.
She brings in her list together with
her club check, and for business-
like methods she frequently beats
the wealthier shopper. She is
rarely impatient, and retains her
good humour when she has to wait
her turn during the rush hours."**A Two-ton Carpet.**Spring cleaning at Windsor
Castle is a Herculean task. The
special dread of the Royal spring
cleaners is beating the two-ton
carpet which covers the floor of the
Waterloo Chamber—the Royal din-
ing-room during Ascot week, when
the King and Queen make Windsor
their headquarters (says a "Star"
writer). It takes 60 men to carry
this massive "rug" downstairs to
the lavas. Eighty feet long and
40 feet wide, it is the wonderful
carpet which took the prisoners of
Agra seven long years to weave.**Snail Harvest.**
The harvest of the succulent snail
of the cultivated species for Euro-
pean consumption has begun in
Switzerland and France, and
thousands of men and women will
be busy throughout the summer in
this curious industry (writes H.
Patrick Deville from Genoa to the
"Daily Express"). The annual pro-
duction in both countries is about
three million pounds, but as the
demand is far greater than the sup-
ply the devices of the adulterator
supplement nature, and pieces of
meat, generally veal, are intro-
duced into the empty shells. The
large fields which are prepared for
the propagation of the snail gener-
ally lie at the edge of a wood or
forest, sheltered from the sun. The
soil of the farm is well sanded and
lined, and round it is built a wall
two or three feet high, thoroughly
washed with vitriol to prevent the
stock escaping into other pastures.
During their short lives cultivated
snails are supplied daily with
vegetables and greens in plenty.
A snail has thousands of tiny teeth.
These are arranged in one hundred
and thirty-five transverse rows on
the tongue, and as there are as
many as one hundred and five in
each row, it follows that an aver-
age snail possesses over 14,000
teeth. The price of snails in re-
staurants varies according to the
season and the "crop," but the
average tariff is 1s. to 1s. 6d. a
dozen, and generally light wine is
taken with the dish.**Electricity in the Atmosphere.**Trains and other means of
locomotion will one day derive
their power from the atmosphere,
and housewives will cook and bake
without fear of the electricity bill.
This prophecy was made on May
1 by Dr. Charles Chree, super-
intendent of Kew Observatory, who
retired on Tuesday after 32 years'
service there. Atmospheric elec-
tricity, to which with terrestrial
magnetism I have devoted my life,
presents tremendous problems, said
Dr. Chree. "The atmosphere is, of
course, charged with electricity.
About a yard from the earth's sur-
face the charge is no less than 300
volts, for example. A great deal of
electricity which might be profit-
ably harnessed runs to waste in a
thunderstorm. It may not be pos-
sible, to state the time, when, or
the means by which this vast reser-
voir will be at the service of man,
but research is at present being con-
centrated on the perfection of suit-
able devices."—"Daily Chronicle."**Comets.**During this month there are three
comets in the heavens. They bear
the names of their discoverers, the
astronomers Reid, Orkisz, and
Schmin. They are strangers in the
sky, and at present it is impossible
to say whether they will ever ap-
pear again. A great deal of
mystery has always surrounded
these heavenly bodies. It is known
that Jupiter and sometimes Saturn
are able to deflect them from their
paths, and this, or a kindred in-
fluence, may account for occasional
mysterious disappearances. There
was Biela's comet, for instance,
which was discovered in 1772.
When it came back after its first
visit it was separated into two
masses, and in 1852 was described
as two comets. The separation, as
in the case of the Siamese twins,
proved fatal, for Biela has never
been seen again. Halley's comet,
on the other hand, a comet with
a pedigree dating back to 240 years
before the Christian era, has been
a regular visitor ever since and may
confidently be looked for every
seventy-six years or thereabouts.
It caused a panic in the East in 87
B.C., and another on its second
visit. Curiously enough, to the
lasting satisfaction of those who
regard comets as portents, Halley's
visits have been coincident with
vital periods of history. The
comet was in the sky in 1066 when
William the Norman came to
change our destiny. Its visit in
1456 witnessed the most critical
stage in the history of Henry VI
after the first battle at St. Albans
in the Wars of the Roses, and in
1591 it saw Henry VIII become
"head of the Church." It came
again when Parliament refused to
allow King James to unite England
and Scotland, and in 1682 it was
hailed as a good omen for Mon-
mouth's ill-starred march through
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